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IN THREE VOLUMES, WITH ILLUSTRATIONS.

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To

Isaac Heywood, Esq.,

of Mansfield,

The last male descendant (probably) of

The Venerable Oliver Heywood,

This Volume is respectfully inscribed

By the Editor.

J. H. T.

Idel, Leeds,

Oct., 1881.

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Heywood Bibliography.

Rev. John Fawcett, afterwards D.D., Baptist Minister at Hebden Bridge, whose "Life" has been published, issued in 1796, in monthly parts, his first edition of *The Life of the Rev. Oliver Heywood, with Historical Sketches of the Times in which he lived; and Anecdotes of some other Eminent Ministers, in Yorkshire, Lancashire, &c.* It was printed and sold at Ewood Hall, near Hebden Bridge, and comprised 216 pages, 12 mo, price 2s. 3d. There is a copy in the Bradford Free Library.

Fawcett. Second Edition (by J. Fawcett, A.M., though the paper cover gives D.D.), Halifax: Printed by Holden and Dowson. 1809. 214 pp., 12 mo.

[Fawcett.] *Memoirs of the Life of Mr. Oliver Heywood, Minister of the Gospel at Coley Chapel, and afterwards at Northowram, in the Parish of Halifax.* Leeds: Printed by Davies and Booth. 56 pp., 8vo., with portrait by Topham, from an original Painting in the possession of Miss Heywood, Mansfield.

This is an abbreviated copy of Dr. Fawcett's, but verbatim so far as it goes.

Dr. Fawcett, in his "Life of Heywood," gives extracts from the Diary, October and November, 1679, and January, 1680, but not a single day correctly, and sometimes grave errors appear. He says "The diary is written so close, in so very small a character, and is so injured by time, that it is exceedingly difficult to make out the sense. I hope the following extracts will gratify the reader. But, for the reasons just mentioned, I am not absolutely certain that the transcript is perfectly exact, in respect of dates, and proper names of persons and places." These errors are copied into Mr. Slate's "Life," but Mr. Hunter, as an accomplished antiquary, is thoroughly accurate. The diary for those months as printed in this volume may be relied upon.

Christian Knowledge, Cottage Library, Vol. 1, 1806, gives Memorials of Providence in the remarkable providential supplies of Oliver Heywood.

The Rev. Richard Slate, (a Lancashire Independent Minister,) published *Select Noncomformist Remains*, 1814. Bury: R. Crompton, 8vo. pp. 389, of which 191 record the life of Heywood, and the seven sermons re-printed in Mr. Vint's Vol. v.

Slate. Memoirs of the Rev. Oliver Heywood, B.A.

[Slate.] See Whole Works edited by Rev. W. Vint.

[Slate] New Title-page only. London: Birtwhistle, 1849.

This is the one printed at Idle. There is a copy in the Bradford Free Library.

Religious Tract Society: Christian Biography Series. *The Life of the Rev. Oliver Heywood, B.A.—Born* 1629. *Died* 1702. Religious Tract Society, London. 72 pp., 12mo.

Rev. Joseph Hunter, F.S.A. *The Rise of the Old Dissent, exemplified in the Life of Oliver Heywood, one of the Founders of the Presbyterian Congregations in the County of York.* 1630—1702. London: *Longmans,* 1842. 8vo. pp. xx, 463.

Treatises: by Rev. O. Heywood.

Heart Treasure: or, an Essay tending to fil and furnish the Head and Heart of every Christian, * * * * being the substance of some Sermons preached at Coley in Yorkshire, on Mat. 12.35. by O. H. An unworthy Minister of the blessed Gospel * * * * London, Printed by A. Ibbitson for Thomas Parkhurst, at the Golden Bible, on London Bridge, 1667. 8vo., pp. xvi, 336. Epistle Dedicatory "to my very loving and dearly beloved Friends and Neighbours, the Inhabitants of Coley, and the places adjacent. From my Study at Coley Hall, June 14, 1666. Oliver Heywood.

I have given this description from mine own copy.

See Hunter, p. 205 note.

Closet-Prayer a Christian Duty: or a Treatise upon Mat. 6. 6. Tending to prove that the worship of God in Secret is the indispensible duty * * * * Together with a severe rebuke * * * * By O. Heywood, Minister of the Gospel * * London, Printed for Tho. Parkhurst at the Bible and three Crowns, at the Lower end of Cheapside, 1671. 8 vo., pp. xvi, 127. Epistle to the Reader, dated Octob. 31, 1668, "Whiles I am Oliver Heywood."

On page ii we are informed—"There is of this Author two other Books Printed. 1 Heart Treasure. 2 The Sure Mercies of David." [Yet the latter bears date 1672 on the title, and was written in 1670.]

[*Closet-Prayer*] Second edition, 1700, 8 vo., pp. xii, 124.

I have both editions; the former is in the Congregational Memorial Hall Library, London. The Brit. Museum Library Catalogue gives an edition for 1687, in 8vo., with MS. notes [No. 4409c.] Also an edition in 12mo, 1794; another 12mo, 1816, with Life by J. Kerby; another 12mo, 1830. The 1794 edition I think I have, London: [date torn off.] pp. 153.

Sure Mercies of David, or, Second Part of Heart Treasure, wherein is contained the Sum and Substance of Gospel-mercies purchased by Christ, and promised in the Covenant of Grace, together with the several ways how they are made sure to all the Heirs of Promise, and how they are to be improved for the Saints Fort and Defence, Settlement and Incouragement in Shaking and backsliding times.

Being the fruit of some meditations upon Isa. 55.3.

By O. Heywood an unprofitable Minister of the Gospel.

London, Printed by R. W. for Tho. Parkhurst, and are to be Sold at his Shop at the Bible and three Crowns in Cheapside near Mercers Chappel, 1672.

8vo. pp. xxvi, 253. Dated June 3rd, 1670. Published 1672 [?1671]

My friend Mr. S. Rayner has a copy of this book, and there are copies in the Memorial Hall Library and Brit. Museum.

Life in God's Favour; a discourse adapted to Death-threatening Times. Dated Nov. 9, 1678. Published 1679.

[*Life in God's Favour*] Reprint by Rev. John Fawcett, in 1796. Printed at Brearley Hall, near Hebden Bridge. 264 pages. I have a copy, and there is one in Bradford Free Library. Both editions are in the Brit. Mus. Library.

Israel's Lamentation after the Lord, Being some meditations upon 1 Sam. 7.2. Dated Aug. 22nd, 1682. Printed 1683.

There is a copy in Mem. Hall Library.

Baptismal Bonds Renewed. Being some meditations upon Psalm, 50.5. By O. H., M.A., Minister of the Gospel * * London Printed for Tho. Parkhurst at the Bible and Three Crowns in Cheapside, near Mercers Chappel, 1687. 8vo., pp. xx, 328.

I have a copy of this book. It will be noticed that Mr. Heywood is styled M.A., erroneously I suppose. There is a copy in the Mem. Hall Library.

The Holy Life and Happy Death of Mr. John Angier.

This was published before "Baptismal Bonds" as it is advertised at the end of that book. It was written by Mr. O. Heywood, as may be seen from his diary. 1685.

Meetness for Heaven, upon Colos. 1.12 : designed for a Funeral Legacy. Published 1690.

There is a copy in the Mem. Hall Library. "An Epistle to my dearly beloved Hearers, Friends and Neighbours, and others that will be at the cost to buy, or take the pains to

read this small Treatise. 1690."

☞ *Christ Displayed* as the choicest gift and best master: from Joh. 4. 10, and Joh. 13.13. Written by Mr. Nath. Heywood and published by Mr. Oliver Heywood.

☞ *Advice to an Only Child*, or excellent Counsel to all Young Persons, containing the Sum and Substance of Experimental and Practical Divinity. Written by an Eminent and Judicious Divine for the Private use of an only Child, now made publick for the Benefit of all. Published by Mr. Oliver Heywood. In the Brit. Museum Library is a reprint dated 1820.

☞ The Two Treatises are so advertised in *The Best Entail.* I think I remember seeing a reprint of *Advice to an Only Child*, by a Wesleyan Minister, (? Rev. C. Atmore.)

The Best Entail, or Dying Parents Living Hopes for their Surviving Children * * a Discourse upon 2 Sam. 23.5. Wherein is a collection * * By O. H., Minister of the Gospel. London, Printed for Tho. Parkhurst. 1693. pp. xvi, 94 plus: (my copy not complete.) The Brit. Mus. has a copy. Dedicated to Philip, Lord Wharton.

A Family-Altar Erected to the Honour of the Eternal God: or Worship in Private Houses.

Dated Feb. 2, 169$\frac{2}{3}$. Published 1693.

8vo. pp. [ ] 144. My copy is incomplete. There are copies in the Mem. Hall Library, London, and Brit. Mus. Library.

Life of Rev. Nathaniel Heywood. Preface dated 1694.

Job's Appeal; being a Funeral Sermon, delivered at Northowram, occasioned by the Death of Mr. Jon. Denton. Dedicated to Mr. John Denton, Southwark, near London.

Published 1695. A copy is in the Brit. Mus. Library.

A New Creature. Dated May 3rd, 1695. Published 1695.

Dedication to my dear Friends and beloved Hearers at Northowram.

Heavenly Converse: or, a Discourse concerning the Communion between the Saints on Earth, and the Spirits of Just Men made perfect in Heaven, grounded upon Heb. XII XXIII, By Oliver Heywood, an unworthy Minister of the Gospel * * * * London, Printed for JOHN BACK at the Black-boy on London-bridge. 1697. pp. xiv, 95.

The General Assembly; or a Discourse on the Gathering of All Saints to Christ, and Dated Sept. 22nd, 1698. Published 1700. Comprising some meditations upon II Thess. II. I.

A Treatise of Christ's Intercession 12 mo, 1701.
A copy is in the Mem. Hall Library.

The Two Worlds; Present and Future, Visible and Invisible; wherein is represented briefly the uncomfortable state of God's children in this world, and their earnest expectation of future happiness with God. Epistle "to my dear and loving nephews, and others of my natural relations in Lancashire." Dec. 30, 1699. Published 1701.

Calamy's Nonconformist Memorial. Mr. Heywood was a large contributor to this work.

Rev. W. Vint. The Whole Works of the Rev. Oliver Heywood, B. A., now first collected, revised, and arranged, including some Tracts extremely scarce, and others from unpublished manuscripts: with Memoirs of his Life, Five Volumes. Illustrations.

Vol. 1. Life of Mr. O. Heywood, [by Mr. Slate.]
Life of Mr. N. Heywood, [by Mr. O. H.]
Life of Mr. Angier, [by Mr. O. H.]
Lives of Mr. O. H.'s Relatives, [by Mr O. H.]
8vo., pp. x, 608. Idle: John Vint, 1827.

Vol. 2. Editor's Preface, signed Wm. Vint, Idle, May 2, 1825.
Heart Treasure.
Sure Mercies of David.
8vo., pp. xxviii, 500. Idle: John Vint, 1825.

Vol. 3. Closet Prayer.
Intercession of Christ.
Life in God's Favour.
Israel's Lamentation after the Lord.
Job's Appeal.
8vo., pp. xiv, 523. Idle: John Vint, 1825.

Vol. 4. Baptismal Bonds.
A Family Altar.
The Best Entail.
Heavenly Converse.
8vo., pp. xv, 568. Idle: John Vint, 1826.

Vol. 5. Editor's Preface, signed W. V.
A New Creature.
The Two Worlds.
Meetness for Heaven.
The General Assembly.

Original Sermons }
Youth's Monitor } From MSS.

8vo., pp. ix, 603. Idle : John Vint, 1826.

An index of subjects in the Treatises completes Mr. Vint's serviceable labours.

The *Original Sermons*, selected from manuscripts by the Rev. Richard Slate* are (1-4) Holiness the Way of Safety, preached at Pontefract, Feb. 5th, and 19th, 169$\frac{2}{3}$; (5) Nature of Conversion, preached at Little Lever, April, 29th, 1686; (6) Deliverance from the World; (7) A Stimulus to duty, preached at Radcliffe Bridge, April 24th, 1686; (8) Believers safe and comfortable, preached on the death of the Rev. Samuel Eaton, of Dukinfield, extracted from Dr. Rippon's Baptist Annual Register, Vol. IV, page 559. [The following memorandum is prefixed to the sermon—"Denton, Jan. 22, 1694. Upon occasion of the death of Mr. Samuel Eaton, who died Jan. the 9th, and was buried January the 12th; he desired this office of love from me, and appointed this text."]

The *Youth's Monitor;* or Discourse upon Ecclesiastes XII, 1, is inscribed "to the worthy and respectable gentleman, Mr. Thomas Westby, heir of the ancient and religious family, of Ravendale, in Yorkshire," and dated Aug. 28th, 1689. This MS. is now in the possession of Mr. Roberts.

J. Horsfall Turner. *The Northowram Register* of Baptisms Marriages, and Deaths, 1644—1750, by Revs. Oliver Heywood and T. Dickinson.

8vo., pp. 380; illustrated. Brighouse, 1881.

J. Horsfall Turner. *The Rev. Oliver Heywood, B.A.*, 1630—1702: His Autobiography, Diaries, Anecdote and Event Books.

8vo., pp. 380; illustrated. Brighouse, 1881.

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*See "Select Nonconformist Remains."

Mr. Frankland's Pupils.

An Account of all the schollers that have been under Mr. Richard Franklands tuition, from 1669 to 1698 with the times when they were admitted

1	George Lyddall	March 8	1669	
2	Antony Proctor D[ead.]	Apr 7	1670	
3	Thomas Whitaker			
4	Henry Ormond D	all admitted ...	July 6	1670
5	Thomas Elston			
6	Thomas Bayly			
7	John Holdsworth	Feb 20	1672	
8	Jeremiah Farrar*	July 24	1673	
9	Samuel Yates dead	Aug 23		
10	Robert Whitaker D			
11	Timothy Jollie			
12	Thomas Ingham*	... ...	Aug 27	
13	George Carter*			
14	**John** Heapy*	Sept 12	73	
15	John Issot D	feb 20		
	these came to Rauthmel.			
16	John Heywood			
17	Eliezer Heywood	... ...	May 26	1674
18	Thomas Cotton			
19	Christopher Richardson	... ...	June 3	
20	Gods-gift Kerby			
21	John Bowles D	... ...	June 20	
22	Richard Foxcroft*			
23	John Nisbet D	Jan 24	7^{4}_{5}	
24	Joseph Boys	April 16	75	
25	Shadrach Sherburn	Apr 22		
26	David Lister D	May 12		
27	Deliverance Larkham...	June 10		
28	Eliezer Birch	Feb 9	7^{5}_{6}	
29	John Downes			
30	Timothy Haliday D			
31	Richard Sykes	... ...	March 30	1676
32	John Ray			
33	Joseph Whitworth	Aug 17		
34	Robert Langstaff*	Aug 22		
35	John Byram	March 17	1676	
36	Edmund Butler	March 24	76	

37	Samuel Angier D	...	...	...	April 24	77
38	Robert Meek* ...	...	...	...	Apr 24	
39	Nathanael Heywood	...	...	...	Apr 25	
40	Robert Shaw D	...	...	...	May 3	
41	Henry Latham	...	...	...	Oct 5	1677
43	Robert Carre ...	...	...	...	June 20	
44	Joseph Eaton ...	...	...	...	April 4	1678
45	Samuel Leach*	...	...	...	Apr 14	
46	Peter Finch	...	...	...	May 3	
47	John Frankland D					
48	Thomas Lea	...	...	...	May 11	78
49	George Henshaw					
50	John Lister	...	...	...	june 4	
51	Ralph Butler D					
52	John Williamson	...	...	...	July 10	
53	Samuel Hallows	...	...	...	Sept 20	
54	Joseph Coppendal D	...	...	...	Apr 1	79
55	Gamaliel Jones	. .	...	...	Apr 16	
56	William Heap ...	...	...	...	June 10	
56	Thomas Buckly	...	...	...	June 10	
57	John Gleadil ...	...	...	...	June 28	
58	Thomas Whalley	...	...	...	Aug 27	
59	John Billingsly	...	...	...	Sept 1	
60	William Hutchinson D		...	...	Nov 23	
61	Samuel Farrand*	...	...	...	Feb 3	
62	Adam Holland...	...	...	...	March 2	
63	Charles Sanderson	...	...	...	March 20	
64	Henry Mitchel D	...	...	...	March 22	
65	John Carington	...	...	...	Mar 27	1680
66	Thomas Heaward D	...	...	...	Apr 2	
67	Jonathan Wright	...	...	...	Apr 13	
68	Abraham Dawson					
69	John Reddish D	...	...	...	Apr 14	
70	Jeremiah Aldred	...	...	...	June 10	
71	William Harrison D	...	...	...	June 24	
72	Alexander Rookby	...	...	...	June 28	
73	Nicholas Kershaw	...	...	...	July 7	
74	John Bell ...	...	...	...	July 15	
75	Edward Sedgwick*	...	...	...	Feb 12	
76	William Tong ...	...	...	...	March 2	
77	John Hardware	...	...	...	Apr 1	81

80	Thomas Thompson			
81	Ebenezer Young	... ...	Apr 27	
82	James Liptrot*		June 2	
83	Jabez Key			
84	John Key		June 18	
85	John Dickinson		June 23	
86	Thomas Kenaston D		Sept 12	
87	Nathanael Priestly		Feb 2	
88	William Rawlinson		March 10	
89	Nathanael Scoles			
90	John Charlton		April 4	82
91	Adam Mort		Apr 8	
92	Richard Frankland D		Apr 18	
93	John Addison		Oct 4	
94	John Root D			
95	Edward Brogden		Oct 24	
	All these came to Natland.			
96	Joshua Sagar...		June 9	1683
97	Edward Sherley*		June 9	
98	Jonathan Sonier D		June 20	
99	Henry Leaver		July 18	
	these came to Calton.			
100	James Naylor...		May 3	1684
101	Roger Anderton		May 3	
102	John Sidebottom*		June 7	
103	Michael Gargreave		June 16	
104	Thomas Colthurst D...		June 20	
105	Adam Davenport D		June 26	
106	Mathew Birket D		Oct 28	
107	Thomas Taylor			
108	Peter Collier		Feb 6	84
109	Thomas Spenser		Nov 8	1686
110	Joshua Bayes		Nov 15	
111	Ebenezer Bradshaw		Nov 18	
112	John Kirk D...		Jan 3	
113	Jeremiah Gill		Jan 10	
114	Samuel Hallows		Jan 17	
115	John Pigot		Jan 24	
116	William Higinbothom D		Jan 25	
117	Richard Valentine D		Feb 1	
118	Samuel Crook			
119	Nathanael Lomax D		Feb 25	

120	Samuel Stephens D	Apr 14	87
121	Thomas Gream	Apr 20	
122	John Burnham	Apr 26	
123	Thomas Hutton	May 11	
124	John Peach	June 12	
125	Nathanael Stephens	June 20	
126	William Dearnelly	June 27	
127	William Bury	July 7	
128	Gowen Ainsley	Sept 17	
128	John Walker	Jan 26	
129	John Hunt }		
130	Samuel Low }	Feb 1	
131	Samuel Baxter }		
132	Robert Langly D }	Feb 6	
133	Timothy Punshion	Feb 19	
134	John Jollie	Feb 23	
135	Thomas Rookby	Apr 30	88
136	John Ash	May 7	
137	William Barnwood }		
138	John Gorwood }	June 5	
139	Robert Porter	June 13	
140	Thomas Barnes }		
141	John Turnbul }	June 24	
142	St Andrew Thornagh	June 27	
143	Sampson Leaver	July 3	1688
144	John Ogle D	July 14	
145	Radcliff Scolfield*	July 18	
146	John Frankland	Aug 10	
147	John Leatherland	Aug 10	
148	John Holland	Oct 15	
149	Henry Dickinson	Nov 1	
150	Henry Eyre	Dec 5	
151	Charles Duckenfield }		
152	Bezaleel Angier }	Feb 6	
153	Owen Wynne...	Feb 7	
154	Aaron Wood	Feb 12	
155	Joseph Ashurst	Apr 8	1689
156	William Buxton*	June 3	
157	Thomas Serjeant D }		
158	Thomas Dickinson }	July 3	

these came to Attercliff.

These that follow came to Rauthmel

159	William Clapham	}	...	...	...	Aug 23	
160	Edward Rauthwel	}					
161	James Mitchel	}	...	...	...	Aug 26	
162	Henry Wilkinson	}					
163	Humphrey Hutchinson	}	...	...	...	Sept 3	
164	George Anderton						
165	Samuel Davis	}					
166	Thomas Shaw		...	...	...	Sept 11	
167	Henry Hardacres*	}	...	...	...	Sept 20	
168	Robert Leaver	}					
169	Thomas Barbour*	}	...	...	...	Sept 30	
170	Joseph Dawson	}					
171	Thomas Smithson		...	...	...	Nov 21	
172	John Owen	}	...	...	...	Nov 23	
173	John Baddy	}					
174	William Spink D		...	...	...	March 7	
175	John Benson ...		...	...	...	Apr 8	1690
176	Stephen Davis		...	...	...	Apr 9	
177	John Taylor ...		...	...	...	Apr 11	
178	Thomas Valentine D			...	...	May 1	
179	Thomas Daws		...	...	...	May 8	
180	Ralph Sherdley		...	...	...	May 16	
181	George Low ...		...	...	...	May 21	
182	Comberback Leech		...	...	...	July 2	
183	John Kenyon		...	...	...	Jan 9	
184	Richard Holt	}	...	...	...	Feb 6	
185	John Seddon D	}					
186	Joseph Heywood		...	...	...	Feb 10	
187	John Travise	}	...	...	...	Feb 17	
188	Isaac Worthington	}					
189	Nathanael Ogle		...	...	...	Apr 2	1691
190	Thomas Blinston		...	...	...	Apr 9	
191	Francis Clavering		...	...	...	Apr 21	91
192	James Wood ...		...	...	...	Apr 22	
193	Cuthbert Ogle		...	...	...	June 10	
194	Jonathan Bowes		...	...	...	June 13	
195	John Sharp ...		...	...	...	Aug 13	
196	Peter Atherton		...	...	...	Aug 20	
197	Persival Roughley		...	...	...	Jan 14	
198	Thomas Dickinson		...	...	...	Feb 8	
199	Robert Owen ...		...	...	...	March 7	

200	James Taylor	March 9		
201	Joseph Noble	Apr 9		1692
202	Nathanael Long	Apr 12		
203	Samuel Wood...	May 3		
204	Samuel Dawson D }	May 13		
205	Eli Dawson }			
206	Joshua Becket	June 1		
207	Robert Heskith	June 14		
208	Samuel Nickolls	Aug 24		
209	William Shaw	Aug 29		
210	Andrew Hill	Oct 28		
211	Peter Griffiths	Nov 2		
212	Thomas Heys	Jan 10		
213	Stephen Robinson }	Jan 16		
214	Thomas Gildar }			
215	Timothy Thomas }	March 22		93
216	Edward Kendrick }			
217	Ratcliff Duckenfield...	Apr 8		
218	John Vaus	May 13		
219	Richard Milnes	May 16		
220	John Heslop	May 17		
221	John Stanhop	May 18		
222	Thomas Leatherland...	July 7		
223	Edward Smithson	July 10		
224	Henry Mattison	Octob 7		
225	William Benson }	Jan 16		
226	Marmaduke Drinkall }			
227	Jonas Blamires	Jan 17		
228	Richard Wilson	Jan 26		
229	Thomas Andrews	Feb 17		
230	Wilford Curron	Feb 20		
231	Edward Gregge	March 8		
232	Richard Crook }			
233	John Wood }	March 16		
234	Eliezer Roscow }			
235	Peter Peters	March 19		
236	Edward Shaw	March 21		
237	James Whittel	Mar 23		
238	James Openshaw D	March 26		
239	George Law	Apr 11		1694
240	James Towers	Apr 14		
241	John Bradshaw	July 12		1694

242	John Bradley	Aug 1	
243	Richard Marsden	Aug 8	
244	Nathanael Whitfield	Oct 27	
245	Edward Jollie	Jan 28	
246	John Davis	Apr 10	95
247	John Jones	May 22	
248	Nathanael Carre	June 21	
249	John Disney	July 5	
250	Joseph Duckenfield	July 19	
251	Henry flint		
252	Nathanael Ward }	Aug 7	
253	Michael Fletcher		
254	James Grimshaw }	Aug 23	
255	Peter Aspinall	Sept 17	
256	Joseph Gellibrand	Feb 12	
257	John Horrobin	Feb 25	
258	Jonathan Harvy }	Feb 26	
259	John fletcher		
260	James Clegge }	Feb 26	
261	Edward Aspinall	Feb 27	
262	Isaac Antribus	March 3	
263	Christopher Basnet	April 1	1696
264	Robert Murrey	May 21	
265	John Walmsley	June 20	
266	Meverill Walter	June 22	
267	Anthony Hatfield	July 4	
268	Richard Kay	July 16	
269	Daniel Hawkins	Aug 4	
270	Isaac Grace	Dec 10	
271	Jenkin Evans	Dec 18	
272	Thomas Wilson	Jan 4	1697
273	Joseph Crompton		
274	William Pendlebury }	Jan 7	
275	Miles Baxter	Jan 29	
276	John Atkinson	March 3	
277	George Wigget	March 8	
278	William Woolstenholm	March 18	
279	Richard Lessingham	March 24	
280	Richard Chorley		
281	John Atkinson }	Apr 3	
282	Samuel Snawden		
283	Henry Baliel }	May 24	

284	John Evans	May 26		
285	John Hareing	June 17		
286	Thomas Wainman	July 5		
286	Jonathan Nightingale }	July 12		
287	Daniel Maddocks }			
288	William Perkins	Octob 10		
289	Samuel Green }	Oct 19		
290	William Cook }			
291	Eliezer Aray	Feb 21		
292	James Brownlow }			
293	John King }	March 24		
294	Thomas Benyon }			
295	James Lareton	March 29		98
296	Richard Bursey	May 6		
297	John Clark }	May 24		
298	John Grace }			
299	John Heywood }	May 23		
300	James Halsted	May 7		
301	Reynald Tetlay	July 1		
302	David Sands	July 2		
303	John Taures	July 22		
304	David Bainon	Oct. 20		

After Mr. Richard franklands death that Academy was broken up the schollers dispersed.

Not long after Mr. John Chorlton set up a teaching University learning in a great house in Manchester, Lanc—the names of his schollers are these

1	John Lomax admitted	March 21		1698
2	Reignold Tetlaw	Feb 18		99
3	Jonathan Nightingale	Feb 20		
4	James Clegge }			
5	Richard Chorley }			
6	Richard [Clay] Key }	March 16		
7	Samuel Audland }			
8	William Pendlebury	April 6		
9	John Walmesley	April 15		
10	William Woolstenholm	April 19		
11	John Cowper	May 15		
12	Joseph Crompton	May 17		
13	John Crompton	May 27		
14	James Brownlow	May 29		
15	John Grace	May 30		
16	Edmund Haworth	June 6		
17	Richard Rigby	June 24		
18	John Atkinson	June 26		
19	Alexander Stephenson	July 4		

I received this Catalogue Sept 4 1699

Charles R

CHARLES by the Grace of God, King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. To all Mayors, Bayliffs, Constables, and other Our Officers and Ministers, Civil and Military, whom it may concern, Greeting. In pursuance of Our Declaration of the 15th of March, 167½. We do hereby permit and license Oliver Haywood of ye Presbyterian Perswasion to be a Teacher of the Congregation allowed by Us in a Roome or Roomes in the house of John Butterworth in ye Fish of Hallifax in ye County of Yorke for the Use of Such as do not conform to the Church of England, who are of the Perswasion commonly called Presbyterian — With further license and permission to him the Said Oliver Haywood — — — — to teach in any other place licensed and allowed by Us, according to Our Said Declaration. Given at Our Court at Whitehall, the 25th day of July — in the 24th year of Our Reign, 1672.

By His Majesties Command.

Arlington

Ex. Examinata per Thos. Rand. Parkhurst Scribam.

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NORTHOWRAM MEMBERS.

[In more modern hand, like parts of the Register, this page is written.—J.H.T.]

Mar. 4 167½ Mr. Heywood bot. his House in Northourum and two crofts of Benjamin Boys of Halifax pd 100 marks *i.e.* 67l 13s 4d Removed to it from Coley Hall May 8. 1672.

Recd a Lycense for preaching May 4, Saturday before laid out that Sumer for Repairs : viz.

	li	s	d
Meeting place, best chamber	11	0	4
Pointing the House	1	5	0
Orchard Wall 3li Wall in the Fold 1 li	4	0	0
Mar 23. 1678 Garden Wall	1	0	0

ffor stones to Mr. Oates		12	6
To Roger St : p. work &c.	1	5	4
To Abr. Scot 19s To John Rushworth	0	16	0

To Tim St. 1s. 10d Aug. 17. 1678

For Stones & work at the wall on the upper side the croft 1 14 0. Garden Wall &c. 1 5 0.

Rich. Levers rent. p. anu.	4	0	0
Miles Partington's & Ralp. Levers	6	0	0
James Crompton's of Walk Mill, 1678,	8	0	0

Mr. Heywd recd of his hearers in his House Ano 1678	34	11	6
Legacies and others abroad	34	13	5

Mrs Heywood born Sept. 16. 1632

Mr. Heywood & Mrs Abigail Crompton (his 2d wife) married Salford Chappel on Thursday June 27. 1667.

His former wife Mrs. Eliz. Heywood died abt May 28. 1661.

[Mr. Heywood's veritable autograph begins here.]

I made an attempt to set up discipline and by the good hand of our god did attain it so far as to set up the sealing ordinance while I was publick preacher in Coley Chappel, and we enjoyed that sweet ordinance from 1655 to 1660. and some time after the king came in. The names of such as sate down with us are these, many whereof are dead, some joyne not with us, the rest doe yet unnamed here, because named hereafter

1 Luke Hoyle dead, a choyce christian dead
2 Ester Hoyle his wife, living in Halifax dead [a P.S.]
3 Edward Brook, a godly poor man—dead
4 Ephan Tetley, Dinahs mother, dead
5 Sarah Bland, John Blands wife, dead
6 Mary Wright, Joseph Wrights wife, dead
7 Judith Gleadal, the old clarks wife, dead
8 Robert Baraclough of Norwood Green, dead
9 William Mitchel of Norwood-Green, dead
10 James Mitchel living there, dead 1676
11 Susan Stocks living with W. Hurd, dead
12 John Wood of Hipperholm.
13 John Whitley
14 Anne Bolland sen. dead
15 Mary Bolland, Rich. Robinsons wife, dead
16 Sarah Wadington, fallen off
17 Katharin Chadwick removed to Heaton
18 Elizabeth Crowther dead
19 Mary Kendall
20 John Bentley, dead
21 Mary Bentley, dead
22 Susan Northend, dead
23 Hanna Bentley, dead
24 Daniel Crook francis Crooks son, dead
25 Susanna Crook his sister, dead
26 John Mellen, dead
27 Bridget Mellen, dead
28 Thomas Harrison of Barnshill, dead
29 Genit Harrison his wife, dead
30 Jeremiah Brigge, dead
31 Martha Brigge, dead
32 Sarah Hardger sen, dead
33 Sarah Hardger jun, dead
34 John Pierson dead
34 [Sic] Jane Pierson dead
35 Mary Northend dead
36 Matthew Jaggar dead
37 Susanna Jaggar dead
38 Matthew Jaggar junr.
39 Mary Jaggar
40 Mary Dickinson dead

41 Mtris Oates, now Mtris furnesse, removed
42 Micael Booth dead
43 Henry Dugdill dead
44 Jane Dugdill dead
45 Mary Viccars dead
46 Abigail Nicholl dead
47 Joshua Wood joyned at Kipping congreg.
48 Mary Learoyd Richard Halls wife
49 Grace Learoyd, now Sam Midgley's wife dead
50 Elizabeth Boys dead
51 Nathaniel Jaggar fallen off
52 Susanna Brooksbank, dead
53 Sibilla Boocock dead
54 James Jaggar fallen off, dead
55 Grace Burkhead dead
56 Simeon Robinson
60 [Sic] Mary Hemingway dead
61 Martha Green
62 Simeon Lord } withdrawn
63 John Appleyard
64 Judith Whittly, dead
65 William Appleyard, dead
66 Joseph Learoyd dead
67 Mary Jackson, dead
68 Anne White, dead
69 Jane Wood
70 Martha Best dead
72 William Holdsworth, dead
73 Richard Kershaw dead

[almost 40 of old communicants gone to their long home, this writ July 12. 1676, others removed.

[In more modern hand again, we have :—]

Mr. Heywd weighed twelve score and five pounds, Sept. 27. 1680 Mrs H. weighed ffive score and fifteen pounds.

Susan Tillotson came to live with Mr H. June 27, 1681.

Mr John Heywd went to teach school at Kirk Heaton May 27, 1678

Mr. Pemberton came to be Vicar of Bradford Oct. 1677.

Henry Bamford of Deaf Mills aged 94, his wife aged 104 were both carding out of doors June 24, 1679.

Mr Jos. Crowther built his stately Hall in N:ourum went into it May 1692.

[Mr. Heywood's hand again.]

These repairings of our decayed communion and solemne ingagements to god and each other were made in May 1672, immediatly after god restored us to our liberty, and god hath given us 4 yeares sweet oppertunity of attending upon him in his ordinances, and in private days of fasting and prayer, and in the ordinance of the supper usually every month, at least every six weekes: the last sealing ordinances we enjoyed was on lords day June 4 1676

this book was writ out of other papers in this method june 5. 1676 Eben - ezer 1 Sam 7. 12.

I O H in the County of York minister of the gospel, having spent above 20 yeares in the Lords work amongst the inhabitants of Coley Chappelry, being suspended 10 yeares from the public exercise of my ministry, and now at last restored upon the earnest prayers of the church, to the exercise of my pastoral work in mine owne house by his majestys declaration and licence, Dated March 15 1672, doe willingly and thankfully accept of this open liberty of my ministry, lamenting my former neglects, justifying the Lord in the evil he hath brought upon us, begging reconciliation and a better heart to doe gods work more faithfully and imploring his blessing for success, and now resolving by the assistance of gods grace, to giue up my self to the Lords work among this people, in studying the scriptures, preaching the word in season and out of season, praying with and for them, watching over them, instructing, admonishing exhorting them publicly, and privately, endeavouring to convert sinners, to confirm, comfort, and quicken saints, to administer baptism and the Lords supper, exercise discipline according to the rules of the gospel, so far as I am convinced from the word, to walk before them in all holy example, resolving by the grace of god, to suffer affliction and persecution with the people of god, if god call to it, as a faithfull souldier of Christ and pastour of soules, that at last I may give up my account with joy, being pure from the blood of all men, So promiseth the unworthy servant of Cht.

Help Lord: Oliver Heywood.

I doe heartily take this one god, for my only god and my chief good, and this Jesus Christ for my only Lord-Redeemer and Saviour, and this Holy ghost for my sanctifier and the doctrin by him revealed and sealed by his miracles and now contained in the Holy scriptures, I doe take for the law of god, and the rule of my faith and life, and repenting unfeignedly of my sins I doe resolve through the grace of god sincerely to obey him, both in holines to god and righteousnes to men, and in speciall love to the saints and communion with them against all the temptations of the devil, the world and my own flesh and this to the death.

I doe consent to be a member of the particular church at N——— whereof ——— is teacher and overseer and to submit to his teaching and ministeriall guidance and oversight, according to gods word and to hold communion with that church in the publick worshipping of god, and to submit to the brotherly admonition of fellow members, that so we may be built up in knowledge and holines and may the better maintain our obedience to Christ and the welfare of this society and hereby may the more please and glorify god.

[More modern hand again :-]

Aug 23, &c 1681 At John Hey's in Craven, Ordination of Mr John Heywood

Mr Issot begun with prayer abt an hour Mr John Heywood preacht a handsome well compacted discourse on Mat. 5. 14 & pray'd sensibly. produced 5 Testimonials from places where he had preacht and converst, which were left in John Hey's hands. Mr. Frankland examin'd him.—he read his Thesis—Qu : An Episcopus idem sit qui Presbyter. Next morning Mr Dawson begun with prayer abt an hour—then Mr. O. Heywood pray'd abt an hour & half. Then Mr. Jo: Heywd made his Confession &c. Then they proceeded to Imposition of Hands, Mr. Frankland praying, Mr O. Heywd, Mr. Dawson & Mr Issot laid on hands, then gave right hand of ffellowship—Mr. Dawson preacht on 2 Tim. 2. 15, went to prayer, sung a psalm & pronounct blessing Afternoon Mr O. H: preacht on Psalm 44. 17.

June 6. 1682 At Mr. Tho. Jollies

Mr. Waddington ordained.—Examination was some time before. Mr. Tho. Jollie begun with short prayer. Mr.

Waddington makes his confession—Mr ffrankland pray'd, then Mr Benson—then Mr O. Heywood—then Mr Kay. Mr. Jollie discourst abt an hour of ministers duty, Qualifications ministerial-office, Acts, &c Mr. ffr : and Mr. Hey : askt Quest : Mr. Jollie pray'd over him and with the rest laid on Hands. Mr. Jollie gave the charge abt. an hour and then pray'd & pronounct' blessing—gave right hand of ffellowship—gave it under hand what was done viz : Mr. Jollie, Mr Benson, Mr ffrankland, Mr. Ol: Heywood, Mr Kay, Mr Issot

[In Mr. Heywood's autograph :]

We the inhabitants of Coley chappelry and others, being professours of the Christian Religion, do willingly and heartily subscribe to the Doctrine of the gospel contained in the scripture of truth, and solemnly professe our faith in god the father, creatour of all things, in Jesus Christ the son of god, the redeemer of gods elect, and in the holy ghost the sanctifier and comforter of the faithfull, and doe giue in our selves to the Lord in covenant, according to the terms of the gospel, to be ruled by his will in his Word, acknowledging the need we have of the ministry of the word, and seales of the covenant for our edification, doe still owne O H (whom god hath wonderfully restored to the exercise of his ministry amongst us) as our rightful pastour formerly chosen by us, and shall be willing, by the assistance of gods grace to beleeve and practice what truths and dutys he shall make manifest to us to be the mind of god, desirous to maintain communion with god and one another in gods worship, and to discharge what mutuall dutys god requires of us in his word as members of the same body, as occasion shall be offered, resolving by the grace of god, to walk in our places as becomes the gospel in all good conscience towards god, one another, and to all others to the end of our days, agt all oppositions, by the persecutions and allurements of the world, temptations of Satan, and corruptions of our wicked hearts, in order to the glory of god and our eternal salvation.

Such members as are dead, removed 1697.

Mr. Joseph Dawson R.	2 Martha Dawson R.
3 John Kershaw d.	4 Rebecca Kershaw d
5 Jonathan Priestley R	6 Phœbe Priestley D.

7 John Stancliff D
8 Phebe Stanclif D
9 Marg. Brooksbank D
10 Grace Butler D
11 Martha Bland D
12 Mary Sonier D
13 Jeremiah Baxter D
14 Willm Butler D
15 Andrew Watson D
16 Phebe Watson D
17 Mary Ramsden D
18 Richard Cook D
19 Ephan Cook D
20 Susan Northen D
21 Phebe Lister D
22 Hanna Hardger D
23 Martha Robinson D
24 Genit Lea D
25 Martha Hanson D
26 Dinah Tetlaw D
27 Mary Rhodes D
28 Rose Watson D
29 Edith Brooksbank D
30 Mary Robinson D
31 Mary Robinson D
32 Anne Bolton D
33 Dorothy Bolton D
34 Margaret Rushworth D
35 Genit Snell D
36 Phebe firth D
37 Ruth Tetlaw D
38 Esther Learoyd D
39 Mary Walker D
40 Prudence Scot D
41 Katharin Chadwick R
42 Lidia Muffit D
43 Susan gill D
44 Martha Irelan D
45 Esther Marshall D
46 Hanna Ilbeck D
47 John Smith D
48 Mary Smith D
49 John Nickol D
50 Sarah Smith D
51 Mtris Bagnall D
52 John Robuck D
53 James Taylor D
54 Judith Taylor D
55 Alice gill D
56 Mary Paulard R.
56 [Sic.] Susan Hammond D
57 M' M Mulyverer D
58 Martha fletcher R
59 John Burkhead D
60 Mary Burkhead D
61 Esther Tetlaw R.
62 James Smith R
63 Samuel Wilkinson D
64 Samuel Smith D
65 Sarah Hurd D
66 William Hodgson D
67 John Simpson D
68 Willm Staninly D
69 Phœbe King R.
70 Hanna Hodgson R
71 Sarah Baraclough D
72 Ester Stead D
73 John Heywood R
74 Mary Saltonstall D
75 James Wadington D
76 Michael Broadly R
77 Thomas Leech R
78 Eliezer Heywood R
79 Judith Bolton D
80 John Bancroft R
81 John Waterhouse D
82 Martha Bently D
83 Sarah Aspinall D
84 Joshua Bates D
85 Grace Bolton D
86 William Naylor D
87 Elizabeth Riddlesden R

88 Ralph Higson D
89 Richard Boy R
90 Joseph Wood D
91 Martha Rig D
92 John firth R
93 Mary firth R
94 Mr Nath. Priestly R
95 Mr Jon. Wright R
96 Mr Ab. Lockwood D
97 Thomas Hodson R
98 Abr. Broadly R
99 Benjamin Taylor R
100 M. Brooksbank D
101 Martha Wardman D
102 Rachel Gill D
103 Sarah Learoyd R
104 Mary Oddy D
105 Sarah Stevenson R
106 Mary Sonier D
107 Mary Clay D
108 Martha Hammond R
109 Mary Croyzer R
110 Isaac Smith D
111 Joshua Stansfield R
112 Joshua Stansfield's wife R
113 Sarah Dean D
114 Ph. Lister R
115 Grace Gill D
116 Abigail Oldfield D
117 Judith Hoyl D

[More modern hand records:]

Apr. 26 &c 1681. Mr Tim. Jollie ordained. He preached on Is. 59. 12. He had no Position in Latin thro' an Oversight, did something extempore Qu. An Infantes omnes Baptizatorum nisi scandalizantium sint baptizandi ?

Mr David Noble and Mr Robt Dickenson offer'd themselves to triall. Mr. Noble preacht on Rom. 8. 1. Mr Dickenson was a Ruling Elder, a good man, of rare parts, had preacht about ten years at seasons, and in his own house beyond Doncaster 18 miles from Sheffield, but an English Scholar only not examin'd

Mr Tho : Jollie very pathetically gave up his son to God by prayer—Mr O Heywood prayd over him, in Imposition of hands Mr Tho : Jollie Mr Bloom & Mr Hancock (I suppose) all joined. Mr Heywd preacht on 1 Tim. 4. 25. Mr Tho : Jollie discoursed of the relative duties of Pastors & People, enumerated 30 or 40 appellations given to minrs. in scripture, applyed them distinctly. At Abel Yates in Sheffield where Mr. T : Jollie tabled.

Sept 28. 1681. at Mansfield an Ordination. Ordainers Mr Porter, Mr. Whitlock, Mr. Reinolds, Mr. Billingsley, Mr Oldfield, Mr Cross, Mr Prime. Ordained Mr John Oldfield, Mr John Billingsley Mr Samuel Cotes & Mr Samuel Rose.

Jan. $168\frac{7}{8}$ In the public meeting place at Warrington—Ordained Mr. Chorlton Mr Jones, Dr. Eaton Mr Kinaston

July 8, &c, 1678 An Ordination in Craven at Rich : Mitchels. Mr Thorp, Mr. Issot, and Mr Darnton.

1. Pos : Datur Divina Providentia
2 Pos. Ordinatio per manuum Impositionem per seniores (vulgo-vocatos laicos) non est valida.
3 Pos Non datur omnibus gratia sufficiens ad conversionem —in Engl : he had preacht above 20 years—had Testimonials from the Commissioners for triall of minrs. in Northu.berland and those parts.

Mr Frankland pray'd over Mr Issot.
Mr Heywood pray'd over Mr Darnton.
Mr Dawson pray'd over Mr Thorp
Mr. Heywood pr. Mat. 9 38.

Aug. 24. 1680 An Ordination at Rich. Mitchels. Mr Timothy Hodgson—Qu. An Ordinatio Ministri sine titulo i.e. sine Ecclesia in qua ordinaretur sit œq ridicula ac si quis maritus fingeretur esse sine uxore. Text Hab. 2. 4. Mr Heywood pray'd over him—preacht on 1 Tim. 4. 15.

[Mr Heywood's writing again :]

1 Mr Joseph Dawson, minister of the gospel, living near us hath ordinarily joyned with us in communion for many years. Now Minister at Morley, removed to Morley.
2 Mtris Martha Dawson, his wife, though with many discouragements hath been ordinarily an attendant in ordinances.
3 John Kershaw of Nor-wood green dyed July 9. 1686 aged 72
4 Rebecca Kershaw his wife, dead.
5 Jonathan Priestley of Winteridg near Coley
6 Phoebe Priestley, his wife, a choyce servant of god, her life writ by her dear husband. She dyed March 2, was buryed at Halifax March 5, $167\frac{4}{5}$
7 Mtris Abigail Heywood My dear wife whom god hath made truly gracious, and a great comfort to me.
8 John Stancliff of Hagstocks in Shipden.
9 Phœbe Stancliff a very gacious zealous woman one of a thousand, dyed March 6, $167\frac{8}{9}$ buryed 10.
10 James Brooksbank of lower oxe heys.
11 Margaret Brooksbank his wife. dead.
12 Grace Butler mother to James Brooksbank. She was buryed at Halifax Dec. 19. 1682, aged 82.

13 John Bland of Norwood-green
14 Martha Bland his wife dead
15 Joshua Soynier of Watclose
16 Mary Soynier his wife, formerly of Mr. Roote church, upon her marriage came to us, for 2 years under sore diseases, dyed Jan 8, buryed at Halifax Jan. 10, 1678
17 William Clay of Northourum
18 Jeremiah Baxter of Northourum. dead.
19 William Butler of Northourum dead.
20 Andrew Watson of Northourum township, dead.
21 Phœbe Watson his wife. She dyed, was buryed at Halifax May 8. 1683.
22 Robert Ramsden of Park nook in Southourum
23 Mary Ramsden his wife, dead.
24 Richard Cook of Halifax, dead
26 [Sic] Ephan Cook his wife, she dyed, was buryed at Halifax Apr. 27. 1681.
27 Hanna Worrel Jeremiah Worrels wife, a gracious woman, dyed in the faith, A. Dom. 1670.
28 Susanna Northend, an ancient chtian above 80 yeares of age, dyed at Quarles A.D. 1673.
29 Phoebe Lister of Over-bryar a godly woman, struck with a palsey 7 yeares, dead.
30 Timothy Holt, Ab. Holts son of Cockhill
31 Alice Holt his mother.
32 Alice Mellen living with her aunt at Cockil, wife to Samuel Holdworth.
33 Samuel Holdsworth jun of Barnshill.
34 Samuel Hardger
35 Hanna Hardger a choyce christian the first soul that I knew god wrought on by my ministry, lay 4 yeares under sore diseases, but dyed in faith, buryed at Halifax April 30. 1676.
36 Martha Robinson Simeon Robinsons wife, Edw Brooks daughter, endured much violent pain many yeares, an upright christian, dyed in the Lord, buryed at Coley, March 21, $167\frac{5}{6}$
37 Anthony Lea of High-bently
38 Genit Lea his mother dead
39 Martha Hanson of Rhodes-hall dyed was buryed at Bradford 5 March 1681

40 Dinah Tetlaw of Norwood-green, a very gracious woman, of many afflictions, temptations, desertions, dyed Nov 21, buryed Nov 23. 1683 aged 74.
41 Mary Tetlaw her neece now John Blands wife
42 Martha Smith living at Dinah Tetleys. dead.
43 Mary Rhodes living there, now dead.
44 Rose Watson of Norwood Green dyed in the faith, a gracious woman was buryed at Halif. April 15. 1678.
45 Edith Brooksbank dyed feb. 1. 1678 having lyen long bedrid—these two were both under a roof at Norwood-green
46 Mary Wilson
47 Mary Robison the wife of Richard Robinson of Norwood Green, a gracious woman, dyed in Christ, buryed at Halifax A. d. 1672.
48 Mary Arundel now the wife of Richard Robinson, died of child-birth was buryed at Halifax Jan 16. 1678
49 Anne Bolton sister in law to Rich. Robinson. She dyed A. d. 1682
50 Dorothy Bolton, Micael Boltons wife, of Coley-hall, buryed at Wakefield Dec 18. 1690 aged 78.
51 Margaret Rushworth John Rushworths wife of Coley chappel, dyed, buryed there july 22' 91
52 Jenit Snel living at Willm Clays, dead
53 Phoebe firth, dead
54 Ruth Tetlaw, dead
55 Ester Learoyd, a good woman, now a widow, living on Ourum-green, dead
56 Mary Walker wife of William Walker of Lightliff an ancient christian. dead
57 Prudence Scot the wife of John Scot of Leebrig near Halifax, a gracious woman, she was at Sacrament with us Nov. 18. dyed the day after No. 19. 1677 buryed No. 23.
58 Katharin Chadwick formerly living at Norwood Green, but upon her removal into Burstall parish, desired a dismission and joynes with Mr. Holdsworth at Heckenwyke.
59 Lydia Muffit that lived at Coley-hall now lives with relations and is joyned with Mr. Holdsworths society
60 Susanna Gill that lived long with Mr. Rich. Blacket now lives in Halyfax or neare it, is marryed 1677. dead
61 James Tetlaw living at Priestly green a pious young man.

62 Martha Tetlaw his wife my old servant that lived with me 15 yeares. dead. marryed to James Tetlaw.
63 Ester Marshall, Andrew Marshals wife of Norwood-green. dead.
64 Martha Bins a widow living near Howarth, formerly our neighbour.
65 Ester Kershaw, Timothy Kershaws wife of Wyke
66 Hanna Ilbeck Nicolas Ilbecks wife of Ovenden-wood dead.
67 John Smith of great Horton, dead
68 M Smith his wife, dead 1696
69 John Nichol living in Northourum, dead
70 Sarah Smith of Warley, wife to Abraham Ashworth dyed of child-birth buryed at Halifax June 1. 89.
71 Grace Smith James Smiths daughter of Northourum, marryed to John Ramsden.
72 Hanna Smith her sister marryed to James Oates of Wyke
73 Martha Thacker (*of little Horton,* crossed out) marryed to William gill.
74 Mtris Bagnal living with her son Mr Sharp: She dyed March 12, 168½ at Mr. Sharps, was buryed at Bradford March 16: aged 58, acknowledged gods great kindnes to her with us
75 John Robuck, dead at London
76 James Taylour, removed
77 Judith Taylour, dead
78 John Cordingly
79 Alice Gill living in Bradshaw, She was buryed at Halifax feb. 7. 1678 Her husband Abr. Gill dyed a year before.
80 Mary Northend marryed to Anthony Lea Sept. 3. 1679
81 Mary Paulard of Bradford. gone to Leeds.
82 Susanna Hammond of Ecclesall, dead.
83 Mtris Mary Maulyverer, after marryed to Mr. Sam. Boys merchant in Wakfield sejourning with us was joyned to our society, a gracious person, bred a child, after that endured torturing pain wch dispatcht her in 9 weeks, was buryed at Wakefield Dec. 11. 1675, left clear testimonys behind her of sincerity, safety.
84 Martha ffletcher joyned with Mr. Smiths society.
85 John Burkhead he lived at Heckenwyke in burstal parish fel sick on Wednesday Sept 10, dyed Sept. 18. 79 buryed at Burstal Sept 22, a good man, aged 67.

86 Mary Burkhead of Burstall parish, a precious zealous Christian, a widow, lay under great weakness by consumption, at last dyed, was buryed Nov. 14. 1678
87 Mr John Brooksbank of Ealand
88 Ester Tetlaw of Bradford
89 James Smith of farsley, sits down at Leeds
90 Samuel Wilkinson, dead
91 Samuel Smith, dead.
92 Sarah Hurd of Shelf, dead.
93 William Hodgson, dead.
94 John Simpson, dead
95 William Stanninly living at Steneland, a godly man, pressed and tossed with many afflictions, dyed comfortably june 17, 1676.
96 Phœbe King removed to Barwick
97 Thomas Gill admitted Aug. 27. 76.
98 Anne Bolton admitted Aug. 27. 76 wife to James Holsted
99 John Armitage admitted Nov. 19, 76
100 Hanna Hodgson admitted Nov. 19. 76
101 Hannah Aked admitted March 11. $167\frac{6}{7}$ marryed Joseph Wooller, 1680.
102 Sarah Baraclough admitted April 22 1677
103 Ester Stead admitted April 22, 1677 She dyed 1679
104 John Heywood admitted July 15. 1677
105 Isabel Bolton admitted July 15. 1677
106 Mary Saltonstall admitted July 15. 1677 dead.
107 Nathan Bates of Norland
108 John Butterworth of Warley
109 Mary Butterworth, his wife
110 James Holsted of Warley, all these being of a society there were entertained with us Aug. 26. 1677
111 James Wadington of Warley Society admitted with us Octob. 7. 1677, dead
112 Micael Broadly of Morton-banks admitted Nov. 24, 1677.
113 Thomas Leech of Ridlesden-hall admitted Dec. 30. 1677.
114 Eliezer Heywood my second son admitted Dec. 30. 1677.
115 Judith Bolton admitted the same day Dec. 30. 77. dead
116 John Bancroft one of the Warley Society admitted feb. 10. 1678.
117 John Waterhouse admitted the same day : dead at Darby 1690.

118 Martha Greenwood of Sowerby admitted.
119 Martha Bently admitted the same day
120 Sarah Aspinall admitted Sept 8. 1678. was Mr. Sam Jollys wife, dead
121 Susanna Olfield admitted Oct. 20. 1678.
121 [Sic] Joshua Bates admitted Dec 1. 1678 dyed distracted Dec. 22. 1681
122 Grace Bolton admitted Jan 12. $167\frac{8}{9}$ dyed, was buryed at Halifax Jan 19. '80
123 Elizabeth Barker of Norland admitted Aug 24, 1679.
124 William Naylour of Northourum admitted Dec. 28. 1679. Dead A.D. 1696.
125 Elizabeth Riddlesden admitted July 25. 1680, lives at Kirkheaton
126 Debora wife of John Marsden of Sourby that day
127 S—— Jewet of Bradford admitted Octob. 17. 1680.
128 Samuel Hopkinson of Sourby
129 Martha Hopkinson his wife admitted Nov. 28. 1680.
130 Hanna Rigge entertained with us April 3. 1681.
131 James Oates on May 15. 1681.
132 Antony Naylour
134 [Sic] Mary Bently on May 15. 81
135 [Sic] Ralf Higson, on Octob 16. 81
135 Judith Higson, Oct. 16, 81
136 William Robinson Oct. 16. 81
137 Abraham Ashworth Nov 20. 81.
139 Richard Boy Nov 20. 1681 removed to York
140 Joseph Wood Nov. 20. 1681, dead 1696.
141 Jonathan Rigge Dec. 30. 1681
142 Martha Butterworth March 24, 1682
143 Sarah Spencer „ „
144 John firth June 16. 1682
145 Susan Cleaton Oct 22. 1682
146 Mary firth, John firths wife, Apr 1684
149 [Sic] Mr Nathaniel Priestley
150 Mr Jonathan Wright
151 Mr Abraham Lockwood of Backhouse, dead AD. 1696.
152 Thomas Hodgson of Boulin,
153 John Ramsden of Northourum,
154 Mary Oldfield, all entertained June 22, 1690.
155 Susanna Bently of lower briar

156 Mary Ingam Mr Priestlys maid entertained Dec. 7. 90.
157 Abraham Broadly of Morton Banks
158 Benjamin Taylor both admitted Mch 29. 91.
159 James Brooksbanks wife.
160 John Senior
161 Esther Kershaw [crossed off.]
162 her sister " "
163 Timothy Bancroft A.D. 1693
164 Abraham Hargreaves
165 Mary Bently of Sourby [crossed off.]

Jonathan Priestly junior

Mary firth (afterwards John Thomas wife) of Pule had sitten down with us, dyed, was buryed at Halifax Oct. 2. 1697.

After Mr Henry Root of Sowerby was dead, and his gathered society in the congregational way were Scattered, some of the sober part of them made an addresse to us desiring to sit downe with us at the Lords Supper upon which we appointed a meeting wch was Tuesday June 18, 1672, at my house where god graunted a good accommodation, a willingnes to overlook lesser differences, and to hold communion together as occasion was offered in all gods ordinances.

The persons that have joyned with us of Mr. Roots society are these

(1) Mr. Joshua Horton who dyed April 7. 1679 of the stone, a useful man.

(2) Mtris Martha Horton his wife, dead, dyed with her son at Chaderton buryed at Sourby July 27, 16-4

(3) Mr John Greenwood dead, and his wife, who dyed, and was buryed at Sowrby Nov. 29. 1677.

(4) Mr Richard Blacket, a godly man a solid christian, oft joyned with us, dyed near Halifax, we buryed there in Holdworth workes Novemb. 8. 1677, aged 73.

(5) Mtris Root, Mr Roots widow, dead.
6 Josiah Stansfield
7 Martha Stansfield his wife, dead.
8 Mr John Hodgson, dead.
9 Mrs Sarah Hodgson
10 John Learoyd formerly a member with us, but upon dis-

content, went to Mr Root, returned again, continued with us soberly till death wch was March 28, 1676, left good evidences of his safe condition.

11 William Hurd who also had been with us, now returned again to us, now gone off and joyned with Mr. Whitehurst 1682, dead 1696.

12 John Smith of Northourum who was an ancient Christian one of Mr. Colliers converts with whom I discoursed on his death bed, he was a good man I hope, went to rest 1673. dead.

13 Mary Smith his wife, who also is gone to her long home, dead.

14 Mris Ellen Drake a widow living at the Swan in Halifax, now lives in Bradford, returned to Halifax A.D. 1676. inter in Bradford 1691.

Others there were of Mr Roots society severall whereof are dead, and some others fallen off, and joyn with no society :

1 Mr Robert Tillotson, yet living, but deserted Mr Root in his life-time : he was father to John Tillotson after Archbishop of Canterbury aged 90.

2 Mr Richard Bently, Mr Eli Bentley's father, a solid good christian, kept his integrity, dyed of a palsey in Halifax about the year 1650. dead.

3 Sarah Bentley his wife yet living, but ancient and not able to travel about. Now dead AD 1670

4 Mr Abraham Plats, a man of great parts, much discourse, fell off from Mr. Roots, dyed in the year 1674

5 Mrs Plats his wife, living in Sowrby-dean where her husband dyed, but is not fit for travelling. dead 1696.

6 John Mitchel of Illingworth in the states times he removed to Halifax in hopes of being a Bayleff, now keeps the great inne at the crosse. dead.

7 francis Priestley a solid ancient christian yet upon his coming to live with his [wives] daughter and son in law Tho. Priestly at Holdworth, he lesse approved Mr Roots way, but dyed in the faith about the year 1666.

8 Sarah Stancliff wife to Nicolas Stancliff of Hagstocks in Shipden, a good woman, lived long under pining diseases and yet was upright to death, which was about the year 1666

9 Isabell Lumme wife of John Lumme of Westercroft, a

precious woman of great zeal, humility, strong affections, one of a thousand for grace and piety, dyed in the Lord in the year 1659.

10 John Lumme her son a young man of pregnant parts, strong affections, full of zeal, forth-putting, could have prayd excellently, but very proud, conceited of his own abilitys, had a great fancy to be expounding Scripture, preaching, at last fell off to downright drinking, in a little time spent all that he hath at least 50 li per an.—brought himself, wife, children to beggary, is a burden to all his friends and to himself yet stupid, wofully besotted at this day viz May 30. 1676. went into a foreign plantation 1690.

11 Samuel Wardman formerly a souldier, quartered at the Swan in Halifax but wn my Landlord Best dyed he desired to come to be tabled with his rich widow, prevailed, marryed her, but have disagreed he having little of his own entred to a great estate proved not as he pretended, hath taken his leave of religious Meetings, spent too much time at the alehouse, reduced, became serious, dyed 1690.

12 Sarah Lord living long a widow in Halifax, at last marryed Robert Burkhead of Shelf, both gave themselves to drinking till they had spent what they had, he dyed miserably, she lives miserably poor, a knowing woman, but little sense and savour I fear, colouring and extenuating her former faults: now dead.

13 Susanna Robinson living a ceartain time at William Clays now removed into Horton is joyned with Mr Whitehurst's society.

14 Thomas Arundel formerly living in Northourum now inhabiting Biarly I hear not that he joynes with any society—he joyned with them at Topliff, but is excommunicated for drunkennes A.D. 1678.

I begun to preach in my new meeting-place that I built in Northourum July 8, 1688 and severall in Warley and elsewhere were admitted with us in this year.

On Lords day May 26 '89 we had the Lords supper and several were admitted

Martha Wardman, dead,
Daniel Gill's wife, dead
Judith Drake, dead
Daniel Gill,
Sarah Learoyd removed
Mary Oddy dead

Sarah Stevenson of W. Hodgsons
Mary Broadley dead
[John Simpson and Nathan Bates, crossed off.]
old Dame Baumford Mary Learoyd Hall [Sic]
159 Joseph Hollins of Allerton and
160 Mary his wife entertained Dec. 27. 91
161 Mary Clay wife of William Clay, dead.
162 Edward Bairstows wife admitted [crossed off.]
all Dec. 27. 1691 dead.
163 Martha Hammond admitted June 12. '92
164 Mary the wife of James Brooksbank dead
165 Joshua Wright of Hipperholm
166 Hanna Wright his wife
167 Judith Butler of Northourum | these 7 were
168 Hanna Pannel of Halifax | entained
169 Mary Croyzer of Ecclesal, removed | July 31. 1692
170 Mary the wife of Abraham Hargreaves dead
171 Mr Robert Ramsden of Stony royd d.
172 Isaac Smith of lower place dead
173 John Stansfield of Sowrby his wife
174 Isabel Oddy of Wibsey dead these 4 entertained Sept. 26. 1692
175 Joshua Stansfield of little Horton removed
176 And his wife Mr Baths daughter
177 Martha Robinson of Damhead admitted Nov 27. 1692
178 Josiah Stansfield jun of Sowrby
179 Mr Thomas Wakefield removed into Lanc.
180 Grace Hitchin of Sowrby
181 Martha Bins of Northourum
182 Sarah Dean of Wibsey dead
183 Tho. Ibisons wife of Bradshaw LK sish
184 John Listers wife of Bolton admitted Dec. 31. 1693.
185 Antony Naylor's wife dead
186 Isabel the wife of Isaac Longbotham
187 Robert Scolfie[l]ds wife of Warly these 3
188 Mary Nickol of Bradly admitted
189 Abraham Illingworth } May 13. 94 Jan. 28. $9\frac{3}{4}$
190 Lidia Clough married }
Mr. Blamire, Removed to Durham.
191 Josiah Stansfields wife jun of Sourby admitted july 8. 1694

192 Daniel Illingworth of Skircot admitted Aug. 26. 1694
193 Grace Paulard of Range dead
194 Sarah Brig of Steneland the same day
195 Isaac Smiths wife of Place
196 Nathan Halsted of Warley } Oct. 21. 1694
197 Samuel Hardger [crossed off]
198 Grace the wife of Thomas Gill dead
199 Sarah the wife of Michael Ingham of Hipperholm both admitted feb. 17. $9\frac{4}{5}$.
200 Anne daughter of Stephen Hurd of Hipperholm admitted April 7. 95
201 John Wood of Hipperholm readmitted
202 Samuel Hadger of Wike readmitted June 2. 1695. [crossed off.]
202 John Oldfields wife of Shipden dead
203 Elizabeth Milner of Horton admitted July 28. 1695 Isaac Soniers wife
204 Judith Hoyl admitted Nov. 24. 95. dead.
205 William Bairstow
206 Mercy Stocks } admitted March 8. $169\frac{5}{6}$
207 Grace Croft
208 Mary Drake admitted june 28. 96
209 Samuel Drake admitted Dec 20. 96
210 Mary Priestly
211 Isaac Sonier } these 3 admitted June 13. 1697
212 John Smith
213 William Northen
214 Jonathan Priestly, jun.
215 Steven Hall
216 Susan Hall
217 Dame Walker
218 Joseph Wilkinson admitted Oct. 3. 1697
219 Phebe wife of Abr. Ashworth
220 Martha wife of John Park admitted Sept. 4. 98.
221 John Bently of Wadhouse
222 Esther the wife of James Tetlaw
223 Elizabeth Wheater all three admitted Oct. 30. 1698.
224 Isabel Woodhead admitted Sept. 1, 1700
225 Edmund Paulard admitted 1701
226 Ms. Mary Sugden admitted Apr. 13. 1701.
227 Anne Ambler admitted Apr. 13. 1701

228 Mary Priestly of Westercroft, widow.
229 Susanna Hurd both admitted Oct. 12. 1701
230 Susanna wife of Joseph Wilkinson of Mountain admitted feb. 1. $170\frac{1}{2}$

Comnicants [sic] yet liveing Jan ye 25 $170\frac{2}{3}$

Mr John Brooksbank	Jonathan Priestley
James Brooksbank & his wife	
Anthony Lea	Mary Lea
James Tetlaw	Esther Tetlaw
Joshua Wright	Hannah Wright
Joseph Wilkinson & his wife	
Jonathan Priestley	Mary Priestley
Wm Clay	Sam Drake
Samuel Holdworth	Alice Holdworth
Timothy Holt	Alice Holt
Ann Ambler	Mrs Currer
Joseph Hollins & his wife	
John Bland	Mary Bland
Mrs Abigail Heywood	
James Oats and his wife	
John Ramsden	Grace Ramsden
Mary Priestley, Westercroft	
Martha Bins	Elizabeth Wheater
William Bairstow	Mary Croft
Judith Holdsworth	Mrs. Sugden
John Sonyer & his wife	
John Bentley, Wadehouse	
Isabel Woodhead	Edmund Pollard
Mary Northend	Wm Northend
Martha Northend	Susanna Hird
Martha Robinson	Dame Walker
Mary Morsly	Sarah Ingham

John Hanson and his wife [crossed out.]

Then follow 16 pages in short-hand, seemingly weekly contributions to the poor, dated from Sep. 10. 1707 to Nov. 20. 1743: probably kept by Mr. Dickenson at Northowram.

Also two columns of texts of Scripture, 1707-1718, about 12 each year.

Also the following figures (? what)

1707—	89	1721—	100
1708—	376	1722—	61
1709—	301	1723—	88
1710—	236	1724—	74
1711—	174	1725—	73
1712—	144	1726—	64
1713—	148	1727—	65
1714—	186	1728—	70
1715—	100	1729—	34
1716—	151	1730—	80
1717—	81	1731—	40
1718—	125	1732—	55
1719—	106	1733—	87
1720—	80	1734—	50
		1735—	51
	2297	1736—	109.

This is the completion of the small volume (about six inches by three,) of Northowram Members. The poor engraving of Mr. Heywood, from *The Gospel Magazine*, March, 1800, is bound up with the MS. as a frontispiece.

The Rev. Dr. Raffles has inserted the following memorandum :—

"This is an original MS. of Oliver Heywood, the celebrated Nonconformist. It was kindly presented to me by the venerable Dr. Fawcett who wrote his life, and who is in possession of several interesting documents and memorials of that great and excellent man. Liverpool Sep. 24. 1814.

Thomas Raffles."

The Diary is a small volume about four inches by two-and-a-half. The following is a faithful transcript. It is fully written in Mr. Heywood's crabbed hand, about forty lines to a page, with the margins somewhat worn. The loose cover bears the autographs of two worthy divines—J. Fawcett and Thomas Raffles.

Rev. O. Heywood's Diary.

July, 1677.

23 munday forenoon I studyed, baptized a [ ] afternoon we had a meeting at Tho : Gills, who was exercised with much affection, many teares my sons, J W, J N, W Hurd at whose prayer my heart was much touched, and I concluded in more then ordinary assistance, blessed be god wh. some of them were imployd I visited Martha Wardman for [? of] Priestly, oh wt a good day was it !

24 Tuesday I stayd at home al day (except after dinner walking to Jer. Baxters, pheebe firths) followed my study close but was taken off by G B visiting me yet at 5 o'clock being left alone god sweetly helped me in prayer and praise blessed be god

25 Wednesday morning I studyed, at 10 a clock went to Norwood-green, visited Mary Nickol [J.] Kershaws daughter Rose Watson prayd with them then rode to Mr Tho Wakefields where we had private day. Tho Wakefield, John firth, Rob. Ramsden, Nathan Baxter and Mr Dawson and I went to prayer, but god carryed out my heart in praise with much tendernes blessed be god.

26 Thursday my son John and I rode to Sourby. we both preacht at Sam. Hopkinsons, god did graciously help us both in our Lords work amongst a considerable assembly, blessed be god, this was the first exercise my son assisted me in, his text was Cant 5. 8 sick of love, blessed be god.

27 Friday forenoon I studyed, afternoon I went to Martha Hansons of Rhodes Hall (called of Nath. Lea,) met Mr Richardson, J. R. about a speciall busines stayd 3 houres called of Mary Nickol at J Kersheys prayed with her visited Dinah Tetlaw, came safe home, blessed be god.

28 Saturday forenoon I studyed, after dinner rid to Honly (being my first journey on my new horse) lodged at fr. Sandersons

29 Lords Day I preacht twice in Honly chappel god assisted in a full assembly lodged that night at Abr. Woodheads at Thong

[30 Monday] morning I came to Robt Bins at Slaughwait, James Disons, Edw. Ealy, discoursed prayd with his wife came home found all well, blessed be god.

31 Tuesday forenoon I studyed, afternoon my wife and I visited Sarah Hurd of Brook house, Martha Wardman with whom I discoursed, prayed, god helped, visited Marg. Rushworth, came home, there god helpt.

August, 1677.

1 Wednesday I tooke my son Eliezer with me and we called at Joshua Walkers, dined there. then rode on in to Craven, called at Thornton of Mr. Hough, lodged at Rich Mitchels, met with severall friends

2 Thursday I preached at John Heys to a considerable company, afterwards had the Lords Supper, oh what an heart-melting day was it ! god gloriously appeared in his ordinances for good, blessed be god.

3 Friday Morning we set out called of Tho Leech, advised him prayed with him under his passing affliction of his eldest daughter running away with a man, so came home blessed be god

4 Saturday forenoon I studyed, afternoon my wife and I rode to Leeds lodged at Mr Tim. Smiths house, god helped.

5 Lords day forenoon I preacht at Elkanah Hicksons, a full assembly, in private, in afternoon at the public meeting-place had a great assembly much assistance, blessed be god

6 munday forenoon visited friends, writ a letter to York, dined with Mr Milner in afternoon met severall to consult about Mr Streatons return from London and continuance with them, they desired me to write a letter for them, I did it, they subscribed it, got hands to it, this was at Mr Math Boys where god made me of use

7 Tuesday forenoon I writ one letter [to] frankland, another to Mr Nath. Heywood, to Sam. Angier, at noon dined with Mr Joseph fountaine, after dinner visited Mr Milner vicar of Leeds, discoursed with him

8 Wednesday morning studyed preacht at 10 aclock at the new meeting-place, god helped, there was a great assembly, dined at Mr. Robt Hicksons, after dinner came to Sam. Ellisons to Bramley, lodged there

9 Thursday morning we had our breakfast with Mr. Pickering, came to Mr. Sales, dined there, so came home, called of Mary Soynier so went to prayer, came home at 6 o'clock, we found some waiting for me, blessed be god

10 friday morning we had notice that Mr Jolly was to preach at Capt Hodgsons, I, my sons and servant went to hear him god helpt him, returning home I called of Jer. News[om], visited Sarah Hardger, discoursed, prayed with them, returned home, blessed be god.

11 Saturday I studyed; in afternoon my wife and I and two sons spent some time in prayer, god helpt us all one by one, it was a mercifull season, blessed be god

12 Lords day I preacht again on Psal 79. 75. committed to me by Mary Nickol, god helpt, my son Eli. was helpt at night

13 munday forenoon R Hoyl and his wife visited us, afternoon my sons went with me to John Nickols, where with several others we spent some time in prayer, god helpt my son Eliezer graciously and my heart and the rest, blessed be god

14 Tuesday forenoon I stayd at home and studyed, afternoon visited Sarah Hardger at James Tetlays, prayed, discoursed with her, came home, blessed be god.

15 Wednesday we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer at Mr Dawsons, my son John and I concluded, oh how god helped my heart

16 Thursday I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt, at night we had my young mens conference, god helped

[17] friday my son John and I rode as far as as Kighly kept a solemne faste at Tho. Leeches with severall christians about his sad state, oh wt meltings of heart was there— blessed be god.

18 Saturday forenoon I studyed, afternoon my son Eli. and I rode to Alverthorpe, lodged at Willm. Wadsworths

19 Lords day I preacht both ends of the day at the meeting-place, god helpt in that work, at night visited them at flanshaw, rejected, it was a good day, blessed be god.

20 munday we spent some time at Mr Naylors in prayer for his wife great with child, Mr Roote and I preacht, came home after found all well Mr Hodgson had preacht

21 Tuesday morning I went to Mtris furnace of Ovenden, kept a day of thanksgiving for her mercifull recovery out of a desperate disease Mr Whitehurst, Mr Dawson, John ffoster and I prayd, god helpt graciously, it was a good day, blessed be god

22 Wednesday forenoon I kept at home, studyed, god helpt in prayer by myself, with my wife, afternoon we rode to Cromwel bothom visited Rachel Hodgson, came home that night, blessed be god.

23 Thursday morning I went to Sowrby and preacht my lecture there, god helpt my heart, melted severall others, it was a good day, blessed be god, came home.

24 friday (our black Barth-day*) was our preparatory day for Sacrmt., oh wh. a good day was it. my heart was wonderfully brokn wn Mr. Dawson was at prayer and god sweetely helpt me both in praying preaching.

25 Saturday god helpt me in my studys and in afternoon assisted me and my wife in spending some time in prayer when left alone, blessed be god.

26 Lords day god helpt in praying and preaching, administering Sacrament, and my son Eli. in preaching.

27 Munday I stayd at home studyed read Pet. Mart. c.p. helpt my sons, towards evening set myself to spend time in thankfulnes, oh how god helpt in secret, blessed be god

28 Tuesday I studyed in forenoon read Dav. agt. Hoard, in afternoon visited Phœbe Lister, discoursed, prayed with her, god helpt to much affection, and at night in secret, family.

29 Wednesday I went to Capt. Hodgsons at Cromwelbottom, where we had a day of fasting and prayer for the church, god graciously helpt with strong crys and tears, blessed be god.

30 Thursday I stayd at home all day, studyed tho unprofitably for wch my god humbled my soul at night in secret prayer and sweetly melted my heart, blessed be god

31 friday forenoon god helped me in my study, afternoon we had a meeting at my house upon a special occasion

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* Bartholomew's day, anniversary of the ejection 1662.

tho for an unknown person, Mr Dawson, Josh. Soynier, my two sons and I prayd, god helpt

Sept. 1677

1 Saturday being sent for to visit my dear and reverend father Angier being sick, I went with my son Eli., at Ratchdal we met with the sad tidings of his death at 11 o'clock that day, I went forward, sent my son back

2 Lords day morning I preacht on gen. 6. 3. read and expounded Deut. 34, god wonderfully helpt with much affection in prayer, oh what a day was it, Mr Jo Crampton preacht in the afternoon, on Joh. 17. 45 : very well.

3 monday was that sad and solemne funeral, multitudes of people attended, gentlemen ministers, and others, great lamentation, Cozen Eaton preacht on Act 20 (?) 32,—that night my sons and I rode to Manchester, lodged at Brother Hultons,—sick

4 Tuesday forenoon visited friends, afternoon rode to Ratcliff bridg, lodged at brother Coulborns, there I preacht to a considerable auditory, god helpt.

5 Wednesday rode to little Leaver, heard Mr. Pendlebury at Adam fernisides on Mat. 6.31, he preacht exceeding well, I lodged at sister Whiteheads.

6 Thursday I preacht at John Rainfords in Brightmit, god helpt in prayer, preaching, lodged that night at Cozen James Cromptons, did much worldly business.

7 friday we came home, dined at Mr. Hallows at Rotchdal, came home found all well, blessed be god for mercy in this journey

8 Saturday forenoon I visited Mercy Brooksbank strangely visited with bleeding in the mouth, discoursed, prayed with her, studyed in afternoon, god helpt.

9 lords day preached to a numerous assembly, god helpt both me and my son Eli. at night, blessed be god.

10 munday forenoon I studyed, god helpt in prayer, in the afternoon my wife and I went to visit Mercy Brooksbank, a sad object, prayed with her, called of Dinah Tetlaw, Jon. Priestly,—came home.

11 Tuesday I kept at home all day, studyed, god helpt in prayer

12 Wednesday we had a day of thanksgiving at Mr. Dawsons for his wife. I baptized his child Eli, god helpt.

13 Thursday was a solemne day for I and my wife and two sons went to the funeral of Mercy, James Brooksbanks daughter at Halifax—oh sanctify this breach.

14 friday forenoon I studyed, writ letters into Craven, Westmorland, after dinner visited Elizab. Baxter, was then sent for to meet Mtris fornesse at Mr. Dawsons—had mercy.

15 Saturday I stayed at home all day, god helpt in studying, but in prayer by myself, with my wife, my heart was very chill, only at night I had a little help, blesse god.

16 Lords day god helped my heart in praying, preaching to a multitude of people upon John 17. 24 a funeral sermon

17 Munday Mr Dawson and I observed a day of thansgiving at John Cordinglys for his son, strange recovery out of a languishing disease—he preacht from John 5. 14. and I preacht from Isai. 38. 19 god wonderfully helpt, blessed be god.

18 Tuesday forenoon I spent mostly in writing letters to London, afternoon had two young men came to discourse with me Tim. Paulard and Mic Healy, god helpt sweetly.

19 Wednesday forenoon I studyed, afternoon my wife and I visited Mary Soynier, discoursed, prayed with her, returned, studyed god helpt in praying, studying, blessed be god.

20 Thursday I preacht at Sam Hopkinsons in Sowrby, god helpt in a full assembly in praying, preaching, blessed be god, in my return I visited Ester Wray né Ingham

21 friday Mary Rhodes desired a private fast at my house, for her mothers soul, oh wt. a great day was it, my heart was wonderfully melted, blessed be god.

22 Saturday I studyed all day, god wonderfully helpt, towards evening with my heart in prayer, anew my desire in my sons safe return out of Westmorland [sic.]

23 Lord's day god wonderfully helpt me in my work, praying, preaching, it was a good day, blessed be my good god.

24 munday forenoon I studyed, at noon my wife and I rode to High-bentley, visited, discoursed, prayed with Nathaniel Lea, so we rid forwards to Leeds, lodged that night at Mr. Elkanah Hicksons.

25 Thither upon Tuesday came my sons to us, dined there,

rid thence to York all together, lodged at Mr. John Priestleys.

26 Wednesday we visited friends, at night was the conference at Mr. Wards about god's immutability, god helped

27 Thursday we dined at Sr John Hewlys, afternoon Mr. Williams preacht at Lady Watsons very profitably.

28 friday we dined at Aunt Darcys, in the afternoon rode to Mr Huttons at Popleton, lodged there that night where god made me of some use, blessed be his name.

29 Saturday forenoon we returned to York, visited Mr Coultons, Lady Hewet &c lodged at Sr. John Hewlys

30 Lords day I preacht for Mr. Ward at his meeting-place, god graciously assisted, it was a very numerous assembly, blessed be god for that liberty.

October 1677

1 Monday morning we took leave of our friends in forenoon, took horse about 12 a clock and came to Leeds that night lodged at Mr. Elk. Hicksons, had a good journey.

2 Tuesday we came with James Brooksbank homewards and though weary, we got safe home, blessed be god, found all well, but my son John troubled with a sore cough tho he had preacht for me on Lords day

3 Wednesday I stayd at home, studyed, yet distracted with my son Johns sickness for which god melted my heart, he recovered towards evening, blessed be god

4 Thursday we had a solemne fast upon a special occasion at Will. Clays, god helpt, at night the young mens conference at my house, blessed be my god.

5 We had our fast preparatory for Sacramt, god graciously helped us in praying, preaching, it was a good day

6 Saturday I studyed all day god helped in family, closet prayer and with my wife, oh wt mercy did god grant.

7 Lords day god helpt in praying, preaching, administring the lords supper and my son John in preaching at night.

8 munday forenoon I had Rich Pits, Isaac Taylour, Anabaptists came to discourse with me about Sam. Hardger' admission with them, afternoon I went to Halifax

9 Tuesday I stayd at home, studyed, god in some measure helpt my heart in his work, blessed be his name.

10 Wednesday morning my son John and I got out early

and rode to Jo. Armitages of Lidyate, both of us preacht there, god graciously helpt, blessed be his name, we lodged at Mr Lockwoods of Blakehouse

11 Thursday morning I discoursed prayd with that afflicted family by death of their heir, called of Mr Richardson at Lassel hall, Mr Thorp, J Robuck, came home, found all safe blessed be god for this good journey.

12 friday I and my sons went to James Tetleys where Dinah Tetley had invited us to keep a fast in her house, god graciously helpt my heart with abundant sighs, graces, teares, it was a good day, blessed be god.

13 Saturday forenoon I studyed, writ letters, afternoon rode to Mr Josiah Oates at Chickenly, there I lodged.

14 Lords day morning he, his wife, and I rode to Alverthorp, in the way I had a dangerous fall, was durtyed to purpose,* not hurt, preacht there, found much assistance, blessed be god, lodged at John Kirks

15 munday morning visited them at flanshaw praised god for mtris Dinelys safe delivery, visited old Mr. Holdsworth dying at Mtris Kirbys, prayed with him, dined at John Kirks, baptized John Poplewels child at Heckenwike found all wel at home blessed be god.

16 Tuesday I studyed, god helpt in prayer along with my wife and family, god made it a good day. I visited Ester Wilson at Will Clays, prayed with her, oh wt mercy

17 Wednesday I studyed, read in Synopsis Theol, god helpt in prayer twice. I prayed with Ester Wilson at Will Clays being sick, god helped.

18 Thursday my son John and I rode to Sowrby, I preacht at Sam: Hopkinsons, visited prayed with John Greenwood's wife. called of Mr. Horton, came home, god sweetly helpt.

19 Friday I stayd at home, studyed, read in Leblancs theses, god helpt in family prayer, visited Ester Wilson prayed with her

20 Saturday I studyed, god graciously manifest. his assisting presence in studys, dutys by myself, with my wife, family, at Wil Clays

21 Lords Day god helpt in my publick work, betwixt ser-

*A Yorkshire idiom still.

mons I had a sad letter from my dear brother of his torturing pain by an ulcer in the bladder wch quickened prayer for him, at night my son John preacht.

22 munday morning I studyed, afternoon went to Marg. Rushworth in her affliction, J. Priestly in the evening had Jer. Baxter and Phœbe firth to reconcile and god did it.

23 Tuesday my head aket sadly all day, yet I writ a letter, changed my old horse, visited prayd with Ester Wilson, read some in Dav—agt. Hoard tho unfit. Lord sanctify all.

24 Wednesday Morning my son Eli: and I rode to John Hardakers at Rawdn-hall where god helpt me graciously in praying and preaching to a considerable company, there we lodged, found mercy, blessed be god.

25 Thursday I called at Bradford, dined with Mr Sharp, came home about 2 a clock, joyned my young men at work in prayer, god graciously afforded his presence till about 7, it was a good season, blessed be god.

26 Friday Mr Dawson and I rode to Morley to attend the funerale of Mr John Haliday and returned in safty, blessed be god, that night I had an incouraging sweet letter from my dear brother at Ormskirk.

27 Saturday I studyed, god helpt and in prayer alone, with my wife at Will Clays, blessed be god.

28 Lords day we had a greate assembly god wonderfully assisted in praying, preaching, oh wt a melting heart had I in the forenoon, my son Eliezer preacht at night on Lam. 3. 24, god helpt, blessed be god.

29 munday morning I visited prayd with Ester Wilson, afternoon Phœbe Lister, Tho Wakefield Robt Ramsden Mr Hodgson, was of some use, returned home, god helpt.

30 Tuesday I stayd at home, studyed, prayd with E. Wilson, writ a letter to P.K to her sons, god helpt in prayer, blessed be god.

31 Wednesday my son Eli and I rode to Warly, I preacht at John Butterworths, oh wt meltings in prayer, assistance in preaching, it was a good day, blessed be god.

November 1677.

1 Thursday I stayd at home, studyed, read Dr Reynolds six theses, god helpt to pray my last prayer with Ester Wilson who dyed at Will Clays that night at 8 a clock a little before that god graciously helpt me in self reflection, prayer in my study.

2 friday god mercifully assisted in my study dutys al day at home, in the evening from about 6 to 9 o clock we spent in prayer my sons, wife, myself, oh wt an evening was it of pleadings, groanes, teares.

3 Saturday I stayd at home all day and studyed, god helpt, blessed be god

4 Lords day god wonderfully assisted my head in my Lords work, melted some hearts when speaking of this work in young men, who knows but god may be Lord grant.

5 Munday I studyed in morning, preacht at 11 a clock till 2, god graciously helpt, blessed be his name.

6 Tuesday I went to Halifax to the funeral of a child of John Jacksons, the vicar expounded on Psal 119. 75. 76. 77.

7 Wednesday I stayd at home in the forenoon, afternoon I visited Mary Soynier whose sore affiiction continues, I discoursed, prayed with her, god helpt.

8 Thursday morning I visited Rachel Hodgson at Cromwelbottom, prayed with her, then attended the funeral of Rich. Blacket at Halifax, Dr Hook preacht on Matt 5. 20.

9 Friday I stayd at home, studyed, had some visitors with whom I discoursed about sevl. affairs, at night god wonderfully helpt me in family prayer pleading for the church.

10 Saturday I stayd at home all day, god helpt in studying, praying with my wife affectionately, blessed be my god.

11 Lords day I preacht a funeral sermon on Psal. 49. 8. god helpt, but especially he wonderfully melted in prayer, blessed be god.

12 Munday I rode to Tho. Wakefields house, baptized his child Elizabeth, god helpt in prayer, after I came home studyed, god helpt in family duty.

13 Tuesday I studyed all day, god helpt me, I found mercy, assistance, and at night god graciously drew out my heart in family prayer closet prayer.

14 Wednesday I stayd at home, studyed had much assistance in family and closet with my wife in prayer, a good day.

15 Thursday I rode to Sam. Hopkinsons in Sowrby, preacht to a considerable number, god helpt graciously in all, blessed be god.

16 Friday we had a private fast at my house, preparatory to Lords Supper, god helpt graciously in praying, preaching.

17 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt in prayer and my wife, sons. [Sic.]

18 Lords day was a good day, god afforded much of his presence in praying, preaching, Lords Supper, blessed be god

19 Munday I stayd at home, had some friends with me, afternoon visited Abigail Nichol, discoursed with her, studyed that night.

20 Tuesday I studyed a sermon of experience from Rom. 5. 3. god wonderfully helpt in prayer in closet, family, with my wife—it was a good day.

21 Wednesday forenoon I stayd at home, studyed afternoon, went to visit Mary Longbottom, discoursed with Mr. Dawson—studyed in the evening

22 Thursday I went to James Wadingtons in Warley where we kept a solemn day of thanksgiving for family mercys and it was a sweet day, at night we had the young mens conference at my house

23 Friday morning I visited one Ed. Prestons wife above Landimer, discoursed, prayed with her, then my wife and I went to the funeral of Prudence Scot at Halifax —suddenly dead

24 Saturday god helpt in my studying, praying along with my wife and family, it was a good day, blessed be god.

25 Lords day god graciously helped my heart in the solemne ordinances of the day and my son John at night in preaching

26 munday we observed a private fast upon M R account at my house Mr Dawson, John Soynier, my two sons and I were excercised, found much of gods presence, blessed be god,

27 Thursday morning my son John and I were to goe a journey into Craven, we rid first down to visit Mr.

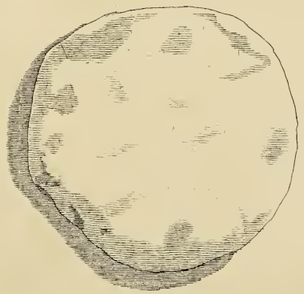
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Charlotte Comtesse [redacted] of Derby &c. &c. and Undoubted Patroness of the Viraáge of Wrmesshirke in the County Pallatyne of Lancáster unto the hoble the Comissioners &c. for áppreb̃aton and admissiõn of Publique preathe Sendeth Greetinge in our Lord God &c. Everlastinge: I Doe p̃sent unto yu to bee admitted unto the Viraáge of Wrmesshirke afforesaid — beinge now voyd my welbeloved in Christ Nathaniel Heywood minister of Gods word — humbly desireinge that the said Nathaniel Heywood may bee by yu admitted unto the — said Viraáge with Right membrs and appt̃anc And that yu wilbe pleased to Doe — whatsoever shalbee requisite in that behalfe for the máke inge him the said Nathaniel — Heywood Viear of the Church of Wrmesshirke áfforesaid áccordinge to the Late Ordinaunc̃ — in that Case made and Provided In Witnes whereof I have herunto sett — my hánd and Seale the Seaventh Day of August in the yeare of our Lord God — One thowsand Six hundreth fifftie and Six:

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Fac simile of the Original Presentation in the possession of J. P. Heywood Esq.r of Wakefield one of His Majestys Justices of the Peace for the West Riding of Yorkshire & a descendant of the Rev.d N. Heywood.

Rich Langley with whom I discoursed, prayd, then visited Mary Soynier, prayed with her, preacht and lodged at Joshua Walkers at Rushworth-hall, god helpt

28 Wednesday morning Micael Brodly, my son and I rode into Craven, called at Skipton, were brought safely through frost and snow to John Heys, there some christian friends and I spent some hours in pray(ing) that evening.

29 Thursday we had a very solemne day at John Heys, god helpt me wonderfully in preaching, praying, administering Lords supper and vouchsafed much of his presence, blessed be his holy name

30 Friday morning frost was broken and melted waters gave great danger in travelling, we took our course by Gargrave, Skipton, travelled our. Rumbles moor—lodged and preacht that night at Micael Broadlys to a considerable company, god helpt

December 1677

1 Saturday morning got out early, visited, prayed with and was much afflicted with Joseph Lister's case who buryed his son at Mr. franklands on munday last, a hopefull scholar, I came home to dinner, studyed.

2 Lords day I was wonderfully helped in praying, preaching, my matter lasted beyond my expectation, tho I had short time of preparation, blessed be god

3 munday forenoon I was employed with my sons in our Hebr. chapter, afternoon I visited Jonathan Priestly discoursed about some busines, in the evening writ a letter to my brother, god helpt in prayer

4 Tuesday forenoon I studyed, after dinner Mr. Dawson, I and my two sons went to Morley, lodged at John Brooksbanks

5 Wednesday Mr. Dawson and I preacht in the meeting place, god graciously helpt, it was a full assembly—blessed be god

6 Thursday morning I baptized Abraham Whitakers child and spent some time in prayer with John Brooksbank about his condition, oh how did god melt ! dead, came home where I found young men, we had conference, blessed be god

7 friday I stayd at home all day, discoursed in forenoon with

two woman troubled in conscience, prayd with them, writ letter, was much assisted in secret prayer, after my son John was helped in family prayer

8 Saturday I stayed at home all day, god helpt in studying, praying with my wife, at night in my closet—oh how good is he !

9 Lords day god made a good day to my soul, in publick ordinances, oh wt meltings in prayer, a great assembly at home, and at night in repetition, blessed be god.

10 munday I went to Norwood-green, visited Dinah, Rose Watson, prayd with her, kept a private fast at Rich. Robinsons with friends for his wife, god graciously helpt.

11 Tuesday having taken some physick-pills I kept home all day, read at night, god wonderfully helpt in family duty

12 Wednesday I stayed at home all day and studyed, god helpt my son Eli. in family prayer, me in closet, blessed be god.

13 Thursday I kept at home in the forenoon, studyed, afternoon visited Mary Soynier, discoursed, prayed with her, and another woman at night, god wonderfully drew out my heart in family prayer an hour, blessed be god.

14 friday I stayd at home, studyed in the forenoon, afternoon had several friends visiting me, two in trouble of spirit, at night god helped in prayer

15 Saturday I kept at home, it was a good day, god exceedingly helpt me in studying, prayer with my wife, family, by my self

16 Lords day I was at home, preacht, the Lord mercifully helped in praying, preaching, begun discourse about performing a good work—it was a good day.

17 munday I stayed at home but partly unwillingly, determing. to goe into Lanc: but was prevented, god helpt in duty, at night the sad tidings of my brothers death broke my heart—but god supported.

18 Tuesday morning my sons, tenant and I set forward, baited at Rat(c)hdal, lodged at my brother Okeys in Bolton that night

19 Wednesday morning we set out towards Ormeskirk, whither we came before twelve o'clock, oh wt. heart-breakings at the sight of my dead brother, Mr Starky preacht with whom I lodged that night at Mris Ashursts

20 Thursday I stayed at my sisters, councelled, comforted, conversed with them, preacht in her chamber at night to a considerable company on Joh. 17. 24

21 friday forenoon we had a sad parting, I returned to Bolton, my son Eliezer and I lodged at brother Okeys, John being gone home to supply my place

22 Saturday I went to little Leaver, dispatcht some worldly busines, visited, prayd with James Crompton (my tenant that came for me into Yorkshire) suddenly fallen sick, lodged at sister Esters, Will Kirkam came from Mr Aspinal to desire me to preach in Cocky chappel the day after, which I did

23 on Lords day god helpt me in my publick work exceedingly in Cockey chappel, in praying, preaching, blessed be god, repeated at night at my sister Esters—Whiteheads

24 munday morning I went to cozen W. Whitehd. dispatcht busines, to Uncle John Heywoods, baptized his son John, to Bolton, discourst with my cozen Hulton returned through little Leaver, let a peece of land to Mr Park, went to Manchester that night

25 Tuesday morning came to Denton, dined there, chose bookes that afternoon, in the evening lookt over pamphlets, lodged there that night.

26 Wednesday forenoon divided the pamphlets betwixt my two sons, and my brother Angier, after dinner came to Ratchdail, baptized a child, preacht at Mat. Hallows, lodgd there

27 Thursday morning, got up early, came to Stubbings by 11 a clock, preacht at Sam. Hopkinsons, god helpt in the exercise 3 houres, came home at night found all safe and well blessed be god for safety in this slippery journey.

28 friday we had a fast at my house, preparatory for the Sacrament, god graciously helped my heart both in praying and preaching, it was a good day, blessed be god

29 Saturday I studyed as I was able with an aking head, yet god helpt me in family, closet prayer, and with my wife, children, blessed be god.

30 Lords day Mr Dawson preacht one part of the day a

profitable sermon, the other god helpt my heart and in administring sacramts

31 munday morning I went with Mic. Broadly Tho. Leech, Sam Wilkinson to Morton Banks by Rumbles moor, preacht there that afternoon, god graciously helpt, lodged at Henry Turners.

January $167\frac{7}{8}$

1 On New yeares day I rode to Idle, preacht there in the chappel, had a numerous auditry, some assistance, lodged at Tho. Ledgards

2 Wednesday morning came to Bradford and Horton, dined at Mr Sharpes, they would not suffer me to come home, I stayed, baptized his daughter Martha that night, visited W.H—.

3 Thursday morning I rode homewards, called of Mary Soynier, dying, I was much affected with that sad family, committed her to god by prayer, came home.

4 friday I studyed, god helped in prayer, towards evening, in the evening my sons and I spent some time in prayer in the family, and oh wt a melting spirit did god stir up in their and my pleadings.

5 Saturday god did assist me in my studys and I blesse my Lord a little in prayer, tho not so as sometimes, Lord humble me.

6 Lords day I preacht at home god graciously drew out my heart in prayer in the forenoon, and at night at repetition, blessed be god

7 munday I stayd at home, took some pains with my brothers notes, visited Josh Soyniers wife, prayd with her, discoursed with P. St.

8 Tuesday I stayd at home spent most of the day in my brothers notes, yet at night god helpt my heart graciously in closet prayer.

9 Wednesday morning I set out early with my son John towards Leeds, heard part of Mr Sharps lecture, dined with Mr. Tho. Wilson, preacht at night at James Nettletons to a full assembly, god helpt, lodged there.

10 Thursday I visited Mr Whitaker, Mr Sale, came home, we had the young mens conference, god helpt, blessed be god.

11 friday we had a private day of fasting and prayer upon Jn. Swifts account wherein god wonderfully helped our hearts

12 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, god helped my heart wonderfully in prayer both with my wife and alone, blessed be god

13 Lords day god graciously helpt my heart in praying, preaching, oh wt a good day was it, god helped my son El. at night

14 Munday we had a private fast at my house upon M.R. account, god helpt my son El., J. Brooksbank, Josh. Soynier and me very graciously in prayer, blessed be god, god is with few as wel as many.

15 Tuesday I rode to John Butterworths in Warly, preacht there, had gracious assistance, oh what a good day was it!

16 Wednesday I rode to Norwood-green, visited and prayd with Rose Watson, discoursed with Dinah &c, attended the funeral of Mary Robinson at Halifax.

17 Thursday forenoon I stayed at home after dinner, rode to the heights to visit one Dickinsons son, but he was dead, I visited, prayd with Martha Brig, Jer. Watson, was helpt at home.

18 Friday I stayd at home all day, begun to write my brothers life, but taken off by Jonathan Priestly, James Oates, in trouble, god helpt.

19 Saturday I stayd at home god helped in studying, praying it was a good day, blessed be god.

20 Lords day I preacht at home, god helpt me graciously, inlarged my heart in prayer, preaching, oh what a good day was it!

21 munday I stayd at home, studyed, writ letters, visited John Wels &c god helpt in my closet, family work.

22 Tuesday I stayd at home, studyed, writ my father Angiers life, towards night god graciously helpt me to recount his mercys to me, in the evening my sons and I spent some time in prayer, god graciously helped, blessed be god.

23 Wednesday I stayd at home, studyed, god helped, I writ part of a letter in answer to J. firth turned papist at London.

24 Thursday I rode to Sowrby preacht my lecture there, had

a considerable auditory, god helped, brought me home in safty, blessed be god.

25 friday I kept house, god helpt in my study tho I was straitned in time by diversions, at night in family-prayer

26 Saturday tho I had but little time having other work, yet god helped in my study and in prayer, blessed be god.

27 Lords day I spent at home, god helped, graciously tho I had short time, yet god wonderfully assisted in studying, preaching

28 munday we had a solemne fast on the behalf of publick affaires at Will. Clays god graciously helpt all our hearts

29 Tuesday I stayd at home in forenoon, read Heb. chap. with my sons, afternoon visited Ab. Bairstow sick at High-bently, George Boyls daughter prayd with them, god helpt me in closet prayer at night

30 Wednesday I went to the funeral of Mr Tho. Lister of Shipden-hall, at Halifax, heard Dr. Hooks commendation of him and censures of us, &c.

31 Thursday forenoon I stay'd at home studyed, afternoon I went to Jonath. Priestlys, at night we had the young mens conference, profitably managed.

february 1678

1 friday I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt, afternoon I had several visitors, some with cases of conscience, some strange passages I heard.

2 Saturday I studyed, afternoon J. Butterworth and I travelled towards Wakefield Lodged at Mr Jos. Oats at Chickenly

3 Lords day morning went to Alverthorp there I preacht god helped, it was a full assembly, I lodged at Mr. Dineleys.

4 Munday morning god assisted in prayer, came away J B and I called at J. Brigs, discoursed about a solemne busines, then I called at Mr Langleys, prayed with him, so came home, blessed be god for this journey

5 Tuesday I stayed at home, god assisted in prayer in my family sweetly at night oh wt a melting season was it, blessed be god.

6 wednesday my wife and I went to Sowrby to the marriage

of James Holsted and Anne Bolton tho a stormy day, heard Mr Etherington preach, dined, lodged at James Holsteads

7 Thursday we had a day of prayer there for the young couple, god helped graciously, we returned home, left them at work at 2 a clock came home before 4, blessed be god.

8 friday we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer at my house preparatory to the Lords supper, god wonderfully assisted me in praying, preaching, tho I had but a short time of preparation, blessed be god.

9 Saturday I studyed, wn my maid was gone to town my wife and I spent some time in prayer, she prayed sweetly, god also helpt me, it was a good season, blessed be god.

10 Lords day god graciously helpt my heart in my masters work, praying, reading, administring supper, repeating chatichizing, blessed be god, oh wt mercy !

11 Munday I stayed at home, lookt over my notes of Mr Baylys funeral sermon, studyed, god helpt at night was at W. Butlers, where some friends met to pray, god helpt them and me.

12 Tuesday I stayed at home, preacht in mine own house, god wonderfully helpt me about 3 houres, to a good number of people, at night god helped me in thanks secretly, blest be god.

13 Wednesday forenoon I studyed, writ letters, afternoon rode to Halifax, dispatcht some businesses with severall, rode on to visit Robt Ramsden of Park nook, afflicted, then to Capt. Hodgsons, so home.

14 Thursday I stayd at home, writ my brothers life, wherein god brought many things to hand, both out of his letters and in my remembrance, helpt me both in family and secret prayer sweetly, blessed be god.

15 friday we had a solemne fast at Mr. Dawsons on the behalf of the nation, I went by Knight-roid in the morning, visited, prayed with Simeon Lord, sick, we had a good day.

16 Saturday I studyed tho much interrupted by company, yet god helped, after dinner I visited, prayed with Ed. Hudson, at night god helped in family, closet, with my wife.

17 | Lords day god graciously helpt me in my masters work, I finisht my text Phi 1. 6 god mercifully helpt in all the dutys of it and repetition

18 | munday I writ what observations I could find concerning my dear brother's life, and went to J. Rushworths, Jon Priestleys.

19 | Tuesday I stayed at home all day, studyed, writ the former subject, little remarkable alas too negligent in duty—Lord pardon.

20 | Wednesday forenoon I studyed, afternoon I had my young men who spent the time from 2 till 7 a clock in prayer, it was a good heart-melting season blessed be god

21 | Thursday I rode to Sowrby preacht at Sam Hopkinsons finisht my text on Heb. 6. 9. god helpt, I called of John Scot

22 | Friday I was at home all day, studyed, god helpt in prayer at night, blessed be god, and I had some visitors

23 | Saturday god wonderfully prospered my studys in a funeral sermon for my brother with unwonted assistance helpt in duty, blessed be god

24 | Lords day god wonderfully assisted and inlarged my heart in praying, preaching all day, and my son John at night, blessed be my good god.

25 | munday Mr Dawson and I kept a private day at Mary Burkheads in Burstal parish, there was a considerable company, god wonderfully helpt me in praying, preaching extempore on Jam. 5. 13. 14. 15, blessed be my god.

26 | Tuesday I stayed at home, studyed all day, god sweetly met my heart in secret prayer and in my family, oh wt a good day was it, blessed be my good god.

27 | Wednesday morning I visited John Crook in a fever, discoursed, prayd with him, got ready for a journey, called at over-briar, went to Robt Ramsdens prayd with some friends that kept a private day wch was at 2 a clock rode (with my son Eli :) to Mr Cottons there lodged.

28 | Thursday morning got up, god helpt me in prayer in my chamber Mr Root and I preacht there that day, had a

full assembly, god gave us much assistance in praying, preaching, and blessed be god for it, there lodged again.

March 1678

1 friday morning we took leave and god brought us on in our journey, we called at several places, got home in convenient time and found all well, blessed be god.

2 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt tho I made not use of wt I studyed but in some measure god assisted in prayer

3 Lords day I preacht on Mark 6, and god gave me some incouragmt., my son Eliezer preacht at night, blessed be god for one day more

4 munday I stayd at home in forenoon, studyed, afternoon baptized Thos. Walkers 2 children. Kept a sweet fast at Tho. Gills

5 Tuesday forenoon I studyed, after dinner discoursed with W.C. about a case of consc., went to J. Baxters, my wife and I visited Ph. and M. Lister at over-bryer, the latter being great with child, I prayd discoursed with them

6 Wednesday morning I set out, rode to John Armitages, preacht there that day, god wonderfully helpt, rode to Hulm (firth) at night, lodged at Mr Josh. Earnshaws where god made me of some use.

7 Thursday came to Robt. Bins, discoursed, prayd with that afflicted family, then called and prayd at Tho. Lockwoods in Steneland with a young man, then came home, blest be god.

8 Friday I stayd at home except that after dinner I went over to Anne Northends, I studyed, at night in family worship god drew out my heart wonderfully in prayer for my family, nation, blessed be god.

9 Saturday I stayd at home, god helpt in my study, and a little in prayer, blessed be god—he doth great things for me.

10 Lords day I begun discourses upon Joh. 17. 4. god graciously assisted both in praying and preaching, it was a sweet day, blessed be my good god

11 munday I rode to Heckenwyke, baptized John Burkheads son John, god helpt, called of Alice Naylour, returned in safety, was melted in prayer that night.

12 Tuesday, I stayd at home all day, god helpt in my study and in some measure in duty

13 Wednesday I stayd at home, studyed, god helped, afternoon visited Phœbe Paulard at Blakehill prayed with her god helped in my family.

14 Thursday I studyed, visited John Crook, god sweetly helpt in prayer, at night we had the young mens conference, about perseverance, god helpt graciously, blessed be his name.

15 friday morning god wonderfully helpt me in my closet to confesse sin, melted my heart about an hour, then studyed, afternoon my sons and I spent some time in prayer, it was the day of my baptisme

16 Saturday I kept close at my study and god graciously helpt.

17 Lords day I preacht a funeral sermon for Prudence Scot on Job 9. 23. god graciously helpt, it was a good day, blessed be god.

18 munday morning after reading prayer, I baptized a child, after dinner went to John Rushworths to give advice about Sarahs marriage, visited Tim. Bolton, Jon. Priestley.

19 Tuesday I studyed in the forenoon, god helpt, afternoon my wife and I went to th' over brier, visited Sam Listers wife, delivered of 2 children Ester and Elizab. I thankt god for her.

20 Wednesday I stayd at home all day, studyed, was a little helped, tho my heart was not in such a frame as at other times, Lord humble me, pardon, receive.

21 Thursday I rode to Sowrby, preacht at Sam Hopkinsons, god wonderfully helpt, as I returned called of Mary Denton, weak, in Halifax, blessed be god for his presence.

22 friday we had a solemne fast at my house preparatory to Sacrt. when god wonderfully helpt my heart in preaching, praying, blessed be god.

23 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt and oh wt meltings of heart had I in prayer with my wife ! blessed be god.

24 Lords day god graciously assisted in praying, preaching, administring the Lords Supper, and John in preaching, it was a good day, blessed be god.

25 | Munday forenoon I studyed, afternoon my wife, son John, Mtrs Bagnal and I went to see Jon. Priestly who is not wel, Lord pardon my unprofitablenes.

26 | Tuesday forenoon I rode to Bingley, baptized Ezekiel son of Jonas Hainworth, in my way preacht at Josh Walkers at Rushworth Hall about 3 a clock, god graciously helped

27 | Wednesday morning Tho. Leech, Tim Holt, my son Eli. and I rode to Rich. Mitchels in Craven where we found some praying, we joyned, god assisted.

28 | Thursday we had a solemne day, I preacht at John Heys to a full assembly, god wonderfully inlarged, administred the Lords supper, it was a melting ordinance

29 | friday morning I writ letters into Westmorland, after prayers we set homewards, called at Tho Leeches, dined came home, found all well, blessed be god.

30 | Saturday forenoon I studyed, afternoon rode to flansett, lodged at Mr. Crooks, god helpt a little in meditation in the way.

31 | Lords day I preacht at flockton, oh what a good day was it ! god inlarged my heart in prayer wonderfully.

April

1 | munday morning I went to Wakefield, visited James Dickson, Mr. Hawden, so came by Mary Burkhead, discoursed, prayed with her some time, found mercy. My son John had preacht at home, Eli had preacht in Craven, god helpt.

2 | Tuesday I stayed at home, was hindred in study, yet my wife and I spent some time in prayer sweetly blessed be god

3 | Wednesday I was at home only my neighbour Will. Clay had a marriage dinner, and many people, and I and my wife and son were there, I also read something.

4 | Thursday morning I visited Ab. Langley, prayd, discoursed with him being sick, came to Jon Priestlys where we had a day of fasting and prayer, oh what meltings of heart had I in the close(t) above an hour.

5 | friday morning my wife, son John and I rode to Mr. Sharps where we had a solemne day of thankfulnes for his wives deliverance in child bearing, it was a good day, blessed be god, we returned at night.

6 | Saturday I studyed, god dictated matter to my meditation

assisted me in prayer both alone and with my wife, children and in family, blessed be god.

7 Lords day I preacht at home had a ful assembly, comfortable assistance, at night also god melted my heart in prayer in repetition, blessed be god.

8 munday forenoon I studyed, after dinner my wife and I visited Dinah Tetlaw, Rose Watson, Eden Brooksbank, James Oates, Abr. Langley, prayd with 3 of them, god helpt, blessed be his name.

9 Tuesday morning my son Eli and I set forward our journey for Lanc. dined at Mr. Hallows house, met with Mrs. Greg of Chester, we lodged at my sister Whiteheads in Little Leaver, tho I was weary god helpt.

10 Wednesday forenoon I dispatcht business there with my tenants, dined at brother Okeys in Bolton, rid to Wigan, and we lodged at Mr Jollys in Wigan.

11 Thursday morning we rode to Ormskirk found all wel converst with friends, we lodged at my sisters.

12 friday we had a solemne day of fastinge and prayer in my sisters house, god wonderfully assisted, there was a considerable number of people Mr Starkey prayd, I preacht and prayd 4 houres, oh wt a frame was my heart in !

13 Saturday I and my sister, her brother and our sons went to Lever-pool, bound my broth. son Richard apprentice with Mr Parsivall, merchant there, lodged with Mr Briscoe at Toxtoth Park that night, after our business was over.

14 Lords day I preacht twice at Toxtoth-Park chappel, had a full assembly, sweet assistance in praying, preaching, it was a sweet day, at night went to Mr. Cromptons lodged there.

15 munday morning went to Liverpool dined with Mr Litherland, visited Mr Atherton, Mr Jerom &c. at night came back to Ormeskirk, supt with Mtris Ashurst

16 Tuesday called at Mr Jollys at Wigan, baited, and at brother Okeys & lodged at Cozen Will. Whiteheads in little Leaver.

17 Wednesday I preacht my brothers funeral sermon in my fathers house, a multitude of people from all parts were

there, then I came by Ratchdal, preacht at night at Robt Milnes, god helpt, lodged there.

18 Thursday morning came to Stubbings in Sowerby preacht my lecture at Sam. Hopkinsons, god helpt, so came to Halifax, stayd there, and home at night, blessed be god for this very comfortable journey.

19 friday Mr Thorp visited me, yet god helped in my studying, and towards night my heart was wonderfully drawn out in prayses in my study, blessed be god.

20 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt, yet found not such meltings of heart in closet prayer and with anguish as sometimes, Lord pardon

21 Lords day god graciously helped my heart in prayer, preaching, and my son Eliezer in preaching at night on Psal 115. 9, blessed be god for that day

22 munday I stayd at home all day, studyed but met not with such sweet inlargemts as at some times, Lord pardon, help.

23 Tuesday I stayd at home, studyed, had several visitors, god helpt in my study to method, text, blessed be god.

24 Wednesday we observed the publick fast at my house, my son John begun with prayer, god helpt me above 4 houres, made it a good day, at night we had young mens conference

25 Thursday morning I got up early, rode to Wakefield, thence to Houghton to preach at Lady Rhodes, but it not being the day I went to prayer, rode to Mr Wadsworths of Swath hall, lodged there, god made me of use

26 friday after dinner I rode to Mr Cotes of Wath, discoursed with his wife being melancholick, thence to Mr Gells of Carhouse, lodged there, god sweetly melted my heart in prayer.

27 Saturday after dinner Mr Gell and his man went with me to Mr. Staninfords of furbeck and was loving entertained being expected to preach there the day following.

28 Lords day I preacht in furbeck church tho to a small congregation, yet Sr Ralph Knight, Mr Hatfield, Major Taylour were my hearers and god graciously helpt.

29 munday morning Mr Stanniford came with me to Leighton, we dined with Mr. Hatfield, thence I came to

Rotheram, called of Mtris Clayton, lodged at Mr. Cotes of Wath.

30 Tuesday we had a solemne day there on his wives behalf, Mr Milner and Mr Johnson prayed Mr Cotes and I preacht, it was a good day, many people, after we had done I came to Mr Wadsworths and lodged there that night.

May

1 Wednesday morning Mr Johnson and I came together to Wakefield, where Mr Root and I kept a solemne day, both of us prayd and preacht, god assisted, and when we had done I went home tho late, a rainy day, found all wel, had a good journey, blessed be god for this mercy.

2 Thursday I stayd at home all day and studyed, oh what meltings had my heart in prayer by myself, and with my wife, it was a good day.

3 friday we had our fast preparatory for the Lords Supper, god graciously helpt my son Eli. and Mr Dawson and myself in carrying on the day, I preacht and prayd, blessed be god.

4 Saturday I studyed my sermons, god helpt, but was distracted in prayer by some coming, yet god assisted

5 Lords day I preacht at home, finisht my text on Joh. 17. 4. had Lords supper my son Eli preacht, it was a good day, blessed be my god.

6 munday morning I went to Wyke, there Mr Dawson, Mr. Holdsworth and I kept a solemne day of humiliation at John Saltonstals house, many people, I gave an extemporary exhortation.

7 Tuesday morning I visited Edmund Joshua Hopkins son in a consumption, discoursed, prayd with him, rode on, we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer at James Holsteds in Warley, god helpt.

8 Wednesday I stayd at home all day, studyed, god helpt, at night was the young mens conference, John Wray prayd, god helpt, blessed be god

9 Thursday morning god helpt me in my secret prayer, praise, meditation on gods mercys, and the forenoon my sons and I spent in that sweet duty, god graciously helpt and in afternoon, studys.

10 Friday my wife and I went to Isaac Balmes in Boulin kept

a fast there for his wife near her time, god helpt, W. Hodgson, John Balm, George Ward and myself in preaching and praying, blessed be god

11 Saturday god directed and assisted me in my studys, and helped me in prayer with my wife in some measure

12 Lords day god helpt me with variety of expressions in prayer and preaching on 2 Tim 4.7. tho not with such melting affections as sometimes, there was multitudes of people. Lord, humble !

13 monday I stayd at home all day, had several persons to visit me, studyed, found mercy in secret, blessed be god.

14 Tuesday I stayd at home, writ my brothers narration, after dinner visited Phoebe Paulard, discoursed, prayd with her, Mr Barstow, Mr Dawson, &c.

15 Wednesday god helpt a little, tho' my spirit was not drawn out in such manner as sometimes, Lord humble, I visited Ab. Nichol, discoursed, prayed with her.

16 Thursday morning I studyed, rode to Sam. Hopkinsons, preacht there had assistance among a considerable company, blessed be god, returned safe home.

17 friday I stayd at home, god assisted in the morning, forenoon marryed a couple, walkt to Jer. Baxters, god helpt, at night Mr Frankland and his wife, son came to us.

18 Saturday morning god drew out my heart in prayer in secret, god helpt me in my studys.

19 Lords day I stayd at home preacht, god helped me in his work all day, blessed be his holy name.

20 munday Mr Dawson and I preacht at his meeting-place to a full assembly, god graciously assisted in praying, preaching, blessed be his name.

21 Tuesday morning I writ letters, studyed, then went to Warly, preacht at John Butterworths, god wonderfully helpt my heart in praying, preaching.

22 Wednesday I stayd at home, studyed, afternoon, Mtris furnace, her son, daughter, Mr Sagar of Blackburn, &c visited me, my father Angiers books came, so I was taken off my studys, lost time in ordering them.

23 Thursday I stayd at home, studyed in afternoon, walkt to Jon. Priestly, discoursed with him, at night god helpt me in secret prayer, blesse God.

24 friday I studyed, god helpt, in the afternoon I went to

Halifax, baptized Nathaniel Holden at Rich. Cooks, aged 22, married to Hannah Worrel,

25 Saturday forenoon I studyed, in the afternoon rode to Alverthorpe, I lodged at Will. Wadsworths

26 Lords day morning (that day 17 years my wife dyed) god met and melted my heart in my chamber there and al day he assisted me in my publick work.

27 munday I returned (calling at Mr Oates and Mary Walkers,) god brought me safely and seasonably home, blessed be my god, found al wel.

28 Tuesday I stayd at home, studyed, writ sermon on father Angier, at night god sweetly helped in closet, family prayer.

29 Wednesday morning I rose early, rid to John Armitages in Kirkburton parish, there preacht, god graciously helped my heart, at night lodged at Mr Lockwoods.

30 Thursday morning rid to Heaton, stayd a season with my son John in his schoole, helped him to hear his schollars, dined with Mr Richardson, called of Mr Thorp, came home, found my young men at conference, blessed be god for this good journey.

31 friday I stayd at home all day, studyed, writ my sermon upon my father Angiers death, at 6 a clock god graciously helped me in secret prayer—oh good day

June 1678

1 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed all day, in family prayer god helpt me but in my closet withdrew, Lord pardon, assist, teach me thy meaning.

2 Lords day god sweetly assisted my heart in prayer, preaching, only I preacht too long, being under a mistake a whole hour, I was imployed 6 hours—not weary, blessed be god.

3 munday forenoon I studyed, afternoon I and my son, W. Clay, Josh. Soynier, Sam Holdworth spent some time in prayer for Alice Holt at Abr. Holts, god helpt, blessed be god.

4 Thursday I stayd at home all day and studyed, god helped.

5 Wednesday morning Mr Dawson, my son Eli. and I rode to Morley, preacht there in a full assembly, god graciously assisted, lodged at John Brooksbanks

6 Thursday we dined at Tho. Dawsons, rode to Atherton, stayd a season, so came safe home, blessed be god.

7 friday we had solemne fast at James Brooksbanks, god helpt graciously.

8 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, god graciously assisted, and a little in prayer tho not as sometimes, Lord humble.

9 Lords day was a good day, oh what meltings of heart in prayer! and god helpt me to answer to cases of conscience about spirit light, and in repeating, blesse god.

10 munday morning I was taken off to attending Mr J. Brooksbank to Elizab. Northen on that sad occasion of the death of her son, afternoon I visited an afflicted family at Hagstocks, J. Stancliff being in prison I discoursed prayd with his wife, god helpt.

11 Tuesday forenoon I writ letters to Mtris Lambert, afternoon we had my young men to spend some time in prayer, my son being at home, god helpt, blessed be god.

12 Wednesday I stayd at home, and god helped me in writing letter into Westmorland, studying, prayer, it was a good day, blessed be god.

13 Thursday I rode to Sowerby, preacht, god helpt in a numerous assembly, rode to Mr Hortons, a mile above visited J. S. sick, discoursed, prayd with him.

14 friday we had our private fast preparatory for Sacramts god wonderfully helpt in praying, preaching, blessed be god.

15 Saturday I studyed, god helped me and my wife in spending some time in prayer, oh wt a sweet frame was she in, I have seldom heard the like, blessed be god.

16 Lords day Mr Dawson preacht one part of the day wch was about chts. passion, god helpt him, and me in the ordinances, Lords supper, repetition, blessed be god.

17 munday my wife and I went to Halifax, I attended the funeral of Mr Joseph Halls daughter, we lodged at Mr Hortons

18 Tuesday morning we went towards Lanc., called of Mr Sam Maud disputed Arminian points, travelled to Ratchdal, lodged at Mr. Hallows, visited friends

19 Wednesday we rode to Manchester in hot weather, I discoursed much with Mr Root in the way, lodged at Br. Hultons.

20 Thursday, Mr Tilsley, Mr Newcom, Mr Eaton, Mr finch, Mr Scoles, Mr Richardson and my self kept a fast at Hulm hall with aunt Mosley—they put me upon preaching, praying, god sweetly assisted

21 friday I rode to Denton, conversed with cozen Angier, lookt at my father Angiers manuscripts, stayed all night there.

22 Saturday returned to Manchester after dinner, visited friends, studyed.

23 Lords day went again to Hulm-hall, preacht in the forenoon, god helpt, afternoon went to Mr Newcomes, preacht in his house at 4 a clock, had a very great auditory, god graciously helpt.

24 munday we visited friends, at night god graciously helped my heart in praying, preaching to a considerable company at brother Hultons, blessed be god.

25 Tuesday after dinner we rode to Ratcliff bridg, I lodged and preacht at Brother Coulborns house to a full assembly

26 Wednesday morning I rode to little Leaver, preacht in my fathers house where cozen Whitehead lives to a great congregation, rode to Bolton that night, lodged at Brother Okeys.

27 Thursday visited several friends in my way to Ratchdal where we lodged at Mr Hallows tho coming late.

28 friday god brought us safely home, blessed be god for this journey.

29 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, but drowsily, yet god helped.

30 Lords day god helped Mr Root and me both in praying, preaching in my house, it was a good day.

July 1678

1 munday I spent some time more unprofitably then I use in worldly concerns, taking hay, dining with Mr Root at Mr Dawsons &c yet visited afflicted Ph. Stancliff.

2 Tuesday I studyed in forenoon, afternoon visited J. Kershaws grandson, prayed with him, discoursed with Ri Rob—prayed with Edith Brooksbank, called of,

discoursed, prayd with Dinah Tetley, oh how god helpt there.

3 Wednesday morning I set out in a journey, called of my son John at his school, dined with Mr Thorp, lodged at Houghton with my lady Rhodes.

4 Thursday I kept the exercise there, did the work myself god wonderfully assisted in praying, preaching, he made it a good day, blessed be god

5 friday morning after prayer I set out, came through Wakefield, dined with Mr. Root, conversed with Mr. Naylor, Dr Wastel &c, came home found all wel

6 Saturday forenoon I was sometime dul, drowsy, but setting myself to study god graciously helpt and oh what inlargmt with my wife, family.

7 Lords day god inlarged my mouth in preaching, but my heart was shut up and not so tenderly melted in prayer as sometimes it is, Lord shew me the reason and humble me.

8 munday morning Mr Thorp, Mr Dawson and I went into Craven, lodged at Rich Mitchels that night

9 Tuesday Mr Thorp and I preacht at John Heys to a considerable company, god graciously helped us.

10 Wednesday we had a solemne busines in setting apart 3 ministers to their work, it was a good day, much of presence of god with us, blessed be god.

11 Thursday we parted one from another, we returned home 4 of us dined at Joshua Walkers, came safe home, found all well, blessed be god.

12 friday forenoon I stayed at home, studyed, afternoon visited Alice Holt and one Jeremiah Woodhead whose knee rots away in a sad manner, prayd with him.

13 Saturday I studyed was helped, god drew out my heart in prayer with my wife and in some measure by my self.

14 Lords day god manifested his presence with my heart in praying, praising, preaching, oh what a good day was it!

15 munday morning I went down to A. S. met with J. S. discoursed freely with him about his troubles, afternoon was at a meeting at J. Nickols, went to prayer, left them, then rode to Ovenden called of Mtris furnasse, discoursed with A. Brig about J. St. affairs, so came home.

16 Tuesday morning studyed a sermon, went to Jo. Butterworths in Warley, there god helpt graciously in praying, preaching, called of good Mary Denton, so returned home, blessed be god for this mercy.

17 Wednesday I stayd at home al day in the morning god wonderfully melted my heart in closet prayer, blessed be god, I read my brothers notes, young mens conference at night.

18 Thursday morning I studyed, afternoon my Ld Rutherford visited me with whom and J. Pr. I spent most of afternoon yet god helped me in my study towards night.

19 friday my wife and I rode to Halifax, were at the funeral of Judith Swift's child, Mr Lambert preacht Dan Mitchels funeral, prayd wel, was confused in the sermon

20 Saturday forenoon I studyed, afternoon I rode to Alverthorp, lodged aI John Kirks, found mercy

21 Lords day I preacht at Alverthorp, god graciously assisted my heart in all the work of the day.

22 munday morning friends came to visit me, I went to Wakefield, visited Mtris Dickson, dined with Mtris Maulverer at North gate head, rode to Denbigh visited Will Robuck, Nat. Bottomley lodged at Mtris Cottons, found my son Eli at prayer.

23 Tuesday Mr Naylour and I preacht at Isaac Wadsworths at Brookhouse in Peniston Parish, had a full assembly, called at Mr Riches, lodged at Mtris Cottons

24 Wednesday my son John and I rode to John Armitages there I preacht, god assisted, came home after, blessed be god for this comfortable journey.

25 Thursday I stayd at home studyed, read my brothers notes, at night god helped, blessed be god.

26 friday we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer preparatory to the Lords supper, oh how god inlarged my heart in praying, preaching.

27 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt, on Spirit being a Remembrance, and tho I slighted secret dutys yet with my wife god graciously assisted.

28 Lords day, god helped in praying, preaching, administring the Lords supper, oh wt a good day was it, Eliezer preacht at night

29 munday my heart was dull, I had several visitours, much hindred in my study, Ld. humble, pardon, yet at night god helpt in my family a little, blessed be god.

30 Tuesday morning I rode to Tho Leeches at Riddlesden-hall, there I preacht to a considerable number and amongst them all baptized his child David, god helped, there I lodged.

31 Wednesday morning I set out, came home, Mr Issot came to my house, we had the young men's conference, god graciously helpt

August 1678

1 Thursday I conversed with Mr Issot, then lookt at my brothers notes, at 5 a clock god returned to my heart after his long withdrawings in secret prayer

2 friday my wife and I rode to Halifax to the funeral of John Kershaw grandson, Isaac Nickol, returned at night

3 Saturday I stayd at home all day and god helpt me in my study and prayer with anguish, blessed be god

4 Lords day god graciously helped my heart in prayer in former part of the day, in preaching all day and repeating, blest be god

5 munday morning I bungled in my study, unprofitably, afternoon James Brooksbank and I went to Will. Sugdens in Horton on a weighty matrimonial busines, called at Mr Sharps, &c. returned safe.

6 Tuesday morning I went to visit old John Wells son, but found him dead, then I visited Mr Horton, discoursed, prayed with him, then we had a fast day at Benj. Butterworths god wonderfully helpt.

7 Wednesday I stayd at home al day only visited Jer. Baxters wife, and studyed, god helpt in studying, praying

8 Thursday I visited Mr Joseph Hill, preacht at Sam Hopkinsons, visited Mr Horton, &c, baptized J. Hadoks child.

9 friday morning, after reading my chapters, &c, I rode first to Mr Sharps at Horton, then to Isaac Balmes in Boulin, there we had a day of thanksgiving for his wifes deliverance, I baptized the child, preacht, god helpt

10 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, god graciously assisted on Jam. 4.6. afternoon my wife and I redeemed some time for prayer together, oh wt. a melting season [it] was ! god inlarged both our hearts

11 Lords day was a very sweet season, oh how god drew out my heart in praying, preaching, repeating, blessed be god.

12 munday I studyed a piece of a sermon, writ a letter to London, &c. afternoon visited M. Rushworth, Jon. Priestly, god helpt in dutys.

13 Tuesday morning my wife and I rode to Mr Jo Hals at Kipping, there Mr Jolly and I preacht, god graciously assisted both, blessed be god, there was a very great assembly.

14 Wednesday after dinner I set forth towards Denbigh, called at New-house to visit Mr. gells daughter, so came to Denbigh, lodged at Mr Cottons

15 Thursday Mr Prime of Sheffield and I preacht at Mr Cottons, had a full assembly, god graciously helpt.

16 friday morning Mr Prime and I set out, we dined at New-house with Mrs Brook, I came home, found all well, we had a young mens conference

17 Saturday god melted my heart in secret prayer in the morning, oh what meltings, and with my wife in the afternoon, and in studying, blessed be god.

18 Lords day I was helped al day graciously in prayer, oh what a day had I, on for good.

19 munday forenoon I went into Boulin to bring Mtris Lambert upon her way towards Leeds, in the afternoon had some visitors, at night god melted my heart

20 Tuesday I stayd at home all day and spent 6 houres of it in secret prayer, reading, meditation, oh what a heart-melting, god-meeting day was it ! blessed be god.

21 Wednesday I stayd at home, studyed writ an Epistle to my brothers book, god assisted, and a little in prayer

22 Thursday forenoon I stayd at home, studyed, afternoon rode to Pudsey, visited Mr Sale, who is weak, returned.

23 friday I was at home, studyed, god helped, in closet, family prayer, and with my wife, blessed be god.

24 Saturday god helpt me in studying, in afternoon he wonderfully assisted my wife and me in spending some time in prayer, oh wt a day had we in such.

25 Lords day god did wonderfully assist in publick ordinances, oh wt mercy had I on many accounts, blessed be god

26 munday I stayd at home, studyed, god assisted, blessed be god, my children came home, other work, ah how good is god.

27 Tuesday about noon my wife and I and two sons rode to Kirkheaton, call'd of reckon'd with, and paid Mr Richardson 30s for my sons table, rode to Mr. Cottons

28 Wednesday I stayd there all day, and writ letters to Mr frankland, my cozens, into the north, &c; conversed with them

29 Mr Hancock and I preacht at Mr Richs house at Bulloughs, had a full assembly, some assistance lodged there.

30 friday my wife and I returned homewards, dined with Mr Lockwood at Blackhouse, found al wel at home.

31 Saturday I studyed but was very dull in the forenoon, yet in the afternoon, being left alone in my house my Lord humbled my heart in secret prayer

September 1678

1 Lords day my heart was much drawn out both in praying and preaching about pride, blessed be my god.

2 munday, I studyed read in Mr Baxters Cath-Theology, except that my wife and I walkt down to Godly with Mtris Bentley, at night in family prayer my heart was much inlarged

3 Tuesday Mr Dawson and I went to Mr Joseph Halls at Booths town, upon invitation of Mtris Denham, spent about 3 hours in prayer in Mary Bentlys house, god helpt

4 Wednesday forenoon I stayd at home, studyed, afternoon I rode to Holdworth to see Susan Parret, came home, discoursed with Lord Rutherford who visited me.

5 Thursday I rode to Sam. Hopkinson, preacht there, was assisted, as I returned I baptized John Bancrofts child Mary, came home, blessed be god

6 friday we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer at my house and god helpt me in preaching, praying, and my sons and J. Brooksbank

7 Saturday I studyed at home, god graciously helpt, and my son Eliezer and I spent some time in prayer, in the afternoon, and our hearts were melted, and in family at night, but dull in closet, Lord humble.

8 Lords day god very graciously assisted in the solemne ordinances of praying, preaching, administring the Lords supper, god helpt my son Eli in preaching

9 munday forenoon I spent in helping my son Eliezer with books, &c. for his journey to Major Taylours, my heart vented itself in affectionate prayer, after they went I read 15 leaves in Baxt. Cath. Theol.

10 Tuesday morning my wife and I went to Josh. Walkers, there I preacht in Rushworth-hall to a considerable assembly, at night John Hey and Mic. Broadly spent some time in prayer there god helpt

11 Wednesday morning god sweetly drew out my heart in family prayer oh wt meltings! we called at John Hollins house, at John Sagars dined, came home.

12 Thursday Mr Dawson and I rode to Mary Burkheads in Burstal parish where Mr Holdworth, he and I were exercised in a solemne fast, god graciously helped in prayer blessed be god

13 friday forenoon J. P. and I discoursed, I studyed, afternoon I rode to Mr Whitehursts house near Clayton, discoursed with him, John foster, John Jowet, about their differences, god helpt, returned.

14 Saturday my wife and I set out in the afternoon towards Wakefield, called at John Burkheads, lodged at Mr Josiah Oates that night.

15 Lords day morning we rode to Alverthorp, there god helped me in my work all day, blessed be god, we lodged at Willm Wadsworths.

16 munday morning we rid to Wakfield, called of Mr Heward, Mr Dickson, dined with Mtris Crook, lodged at Mr Scurrs at Hague-hall.

17 Tuesday forenoon I read in Sr Rich. Bakers history at Hague-hall in forenoon, afternoon my wife and I came home, called to see Mary Burkhead, blessed be god.

18 Wednesday I studyed a little but was drowsy, dull, yet god helpt me at night in secret prayer, Mr Dawson sate with me a good while.

19 Thursday forenoon I studyed, in the afternoon 6 or 7 of my young men came to my house, spent some time in prayer for my sons going abroad, god helpt wonderfully

20 Friday I stayd at home all day, parted with my son John

into Craven, god melted, helped my heart in prayer in secret, in family, blessed be god.

21 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt, very graciously in prayer, in family, with my wife, by my self, blessed be my good god

22 Lords day god graciously drew out my heart in prayer, in preaching on humility Jam. 4. 6 in repetition, it was a good day, blessed be god.

23 munday I stayd at home, studyed in the forenoon, at noon my wife and I went to Halifax, dined with Lord Rutherford, visited friends, came home.

24 Tuesday morning I rode to Bradford, kept a private fast at Sam. Stanfields, oh what a heart melting day was it, wn Jo. Lister exercised, and myself my heart was drawn out.

25 Wednesday Mr Dawson, John Kershaw, John Bland, &c, and myself kept a private [fast] for young John Kershaws wife in Wyke great with child, god helpt.

26 Thursday we had a private fast at James Brooksbanks for Grace Butler who begun, then Jon. Priestley, Mr Dawson. my self concluded, oh wt pangs of devotion did my Lord stir up that day

27 friday I stayd at home all day, studyed a sermon on Ps. 11.30. god helpt a little and in prayer tho not as some times

28 Saturday I stayd at home studyed, god helpt in some measure with my wife in prayer, but withdrew from me alone.

29 Lords day god graciously helped me in all the work of the day and quickened me in his ordinances to doe good

30 munday we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer at Will Clays, mainly for the nation, god helpt, many were there, oh it was a hopefull day and duty.

October 1678

1 Tuesday I was at a private fast at James Holsteds, wherein I was wonderfully affected with Joseph Listers prayer, and god helped me in that duty, oh wt a day was it.

2 Wednesday morning I set out towards Craven, called at Kighley, met with my friends, lodged at John Heys, lay with Mr Jolly.

3 Thursday we had a solemne day, god helpt me in praying

preaching, administring supper, oh wt. meltings of heart were there ! at night my son John and John Beck prayed sweetly.

4 friday morning I baptized George Wilkinsons child, expounded Mat. 28. 19 god helped in prayer, came home after and god brought me safe tho late, blessed be god.

5 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, god graciously suggested fit matter, helpt my wife and me to spend some time in prayer, we had some quickenings by providence and influence.

6 Lords day I was tollerably helped in my Lords work oh, it was a good day in all the dutys of it.

7 Munday forenoon I studyed, afternoon my wife and I visited Mr Ed. Langley at Priestly, I discoursed, prayed with him, called at Jon. Priestlys

8 Tuesday morning I studyed, at 11 a clock went to Tho. Gills, we had a private day there, god graciously helpt, my heart was sweetly inlarged, blessed be god

9 Wednesday, we had a private fast at Mr. Dawsons, wherein god graciously melted my heart in prayer for the church and nation, at night we had the young mens conference, were assisted, blessed be god.

10 Thursday I rode to Sam Hopkinsons, preached there, god wonderfully helpt, on Act 26. 28, oh that god would work on some of that ful assembly

11 friday I stayd at home all day, in the afternoon god sweetly helped my heart in prayer about an hour, oh, blessed be god.

12 Saturday I stayd at home, god helpt my heart in study, in some measure in prayer with my wife, myself.

13 Lords day god in some measure helpt me in my work, tho my spirit was not so melted in prayer as some times alas liberty of expression is small.

14 munday forenoon I studyed, god helpt, afternoon visited Jer. Baxter, Anne Northend, Ant Lea visited me &c, so I was much hindered, at night god helped in family-prayer.

15 Tuesday I rode into Bingley parish, preacht at Thomas Leeches to a full company, god helpt on Joh. 6. 37, blessed be god, there I lodged.

16 Wednesday I came home, called at Josh. Walkers, John

Hollins, at my return found all well, blessed be god, oh how my heart was drawn out in closet prayer that night ! blessed be god.

17 Thursday I studyed yet found not such a presence in prayer as the night before, however god dictated many things pertinently into my thoughts in studying sermons.

18 friday we had a solemne fast at my house, Nathan Bates, Mr. Dawson prayed god helpt me wonderfully both in praying and preaching, blessed be his name.

19 Saturday I studyed all day, god helpt in afternoon, I went to prayer with Mtris Bagnal and my wife, god assisted, so at night, blessed be god.

20 Lords day god graciously helpt me in all the dutys and ordinances of the day very graciously, and lords supper, blessed be god for our priviledges.

21 Munday I stayd at home, studyed god graciously helpt in studying, praying, blessed be his holy name.

22 Tuesday I rode into Warley, preacht at John Butterworths, god wonderfully helpt in praying, preaching near 4 houres, there was a full assembly, sweet assistance on Luk. 14. 28, oh it was a sweet day.

23 Wednesday I stayd as home, writ part of an Epistle before my brothers book, at night my young men came to conference, god helpt us graciously, blessed be god.

24 Thursday forenoon I studyed, afternoon went down to Mr Dawsons to visit his children, not wel, called at Robt Bairstows, Tho Paulards, prayd with Phoebe, at my return talkt with a troubled woman,

25 friday we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer at my house upon Dinah Tetlaws account, god wonderfully helpt Joseph Lister and me in the work.

26 Saturday I stayd ot home, studyed, god graciously helpt my heart in dutys, my mind in studys

27 Lords day I had gracious meltings of heart in prayer, god helpt me in all the dutys of the day, blessed be god.

28 monday we had a solemne fast at John Nickols, god helped us in praying tho I left them about 3 a clock, had visitors, my son John came home that night.

29 Tuesday I stayd at home, studyed all day, in the afternoon god wonderfully helpt my heart in pleading for my sad family, church, about an hour together.

30 Wednesday I went to Robert Ramsdens to a private fast at Parknook, (baptized Tim. Mellens child Tobias as I went,) god sweetly helpt us in the work of the day, blessed be god.

31 Thursday I went to preach my Lecture in Sowrby, god graciously helpt, there was a great congregation, I dined at Josiah Stansfields, came home.

November, 1678.

1 friday I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt, after dinner visited Joshua Paulard, prayed with him, in the afternoon I was helpt in prayer and at night in my family.

2 Saturday I studyed but was dull in prayer with my wife and alone, oh!

3 Lords day was a sweet day to my soul, oh how god melted my heart in the latter excercise in praying for Engl. agt popery, people affected.

4 munday I studyed in morning, at night, in the day rode to Burstal to the funeral of my dear christian friend and sister Mary Burkhead, she is safe.

5 Tuesday I preacht, god wonderfully helpt me upon Psal. 121. 5, about 4 houres, blessed be god, then we had the yong mens conference.

6 Wednesday morning I rid to Pudsey, calld of Mr Sayl, went to Isaac Balme, found many people, they made me preach tho I thought not of it, god helpt me to remember wt I had on Luk. 14. 28, oh how graciously did he assist! that night I went to Mr Jo. Brooksbank.

7 Warley, that night and the morning after several friends came to visit me, so after refreshmt, I came home, found all wel.

8 friday I rode into Warley, kept a day of thanksgiving at John Bancrofts, god graciously assisted, it was a good day, I saw returns of prayer, blessed be god.

9 Saturday forenoon I studyed, afternoon rode to Alverthorp lodged at John Kirks.

10 Lords day I preacht there, god very graciously assisted in praying, preaching to a mighty assembly, blessed be god for that good day

11 munday morning Mr Hawden, Mr Holdsworth came to see me, I called, dined at Mr Josiah Oates, so came home, blessed be god.

12 Tuesday god helpt me in my study, and a little in prayer in family, closet, blessed be my god.

13 Wednesday, I preacht at home, god helped me in that publick solemne day of fasting and prayer wherin there was a very great assembly, blessed be god.

14 thursday morning after reading my chapters and prayer A.N. would needs have me to goe to Halifax to visit her daughter Scarborough in a feaver, I did so, prayed with her, returned, god helpt in family, closet prayer

15 I rode to little Horton, there Mr. Sharp, George Ward, Joseph Lister and [I] prayed, many others joyned at Joshuah Stansfields for his wife near her time, oh wt a heart melting day was it, as to publick, private.

16 Saturday I stayd at home god did wonderfully suggest matter in my study and helpt me in secret and with my wife in prayer, blessed be god.

17 Lords day there was a multidude of people at my house, god wonderfully helpt my heart in praying, preaching on Psal. 121. 5, of gods being a shade, it was a good day, blessed be god.

18 munday I stayd at home, J. Priestly visited me in the forenoon, afterwards I studyed, god helpt, I had very gracious impressions in closet prayer

19 Tuesday morning I studyed, writ letters, afternoon visited John Best of Landimer, supt at A.N: with a friend, after that I had a melting season in prayer in my study, blessed be god.

20 Wednesday forenoon, I studyed, and god sweetly helpt my heart in duty, afternoon I had 7 young men exercised in prayer from one a clock till near 7, oh how god helped my heart!

21 Thursday god helped my heart, in the work of repentance, studying, praying at night, oh what a good evening.

22 friday we had a good private fast, John Nickol, Will. Hurd, Mr. Dawson and I spent it principally in reference to publick, oh what a heart-inlarging day was it, blessed be god for this token for good.

23 Saturday I stayd at home all day, god graciously helpt me in my study, and sweetly melted my heart in prayer with my wife, by myself alone, blessed be god.

24 Lords day I was much helped through grace in prayer,

preaching, by the assistance of gods spirit, on keeping the faith, it was a good day blessed be god.

25 munday morning I set out towards Craven travelled al alone, but had much of gods presence in meditation, lodged with my son John at Rich. Mitchels, found matters better than I expected

26 Tuesday I baptized Rich. Mitchels son Eliezer, John Heys son David, afterwards we discoursed of some differences, had a comfortable agreemt., blessed be god.

27 Wednesday morning my son John brought me to Luzburnyate, returned, I travelled homewards got safe home in convenient time, blessed be god, found all well.

28 on thursday I rode to Sourby preacht at Sam Hopkinsons god graciously assisted, oh what a good day was it, many people, blessed be god.

29 friday Mr Dawson and I preacht at my house preparatory to Lords Supper, god sweetly helpt in praying, preaching, blessed be god.

30 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, yet was much hindred by company coming, a little, god assisted at night, blessed be god.

December 1678

1 Lords day Mr Dawson preacht in the forenoon about resisting sin from Heb. 12. 4, very wel, god helpt me in preaching of faith, administring the Lds supper, met our hearts.

2 munday morning according to my promise I went to Chickenly where Mr Root, Mr Josiah Holdworth and I were to spend a day in prayer with one James Brown, a melancholy man, Mr Root failing god helped us two in prayer wonderfully and in speaking to him, I lodged with Mr Jos. Oates

3 Tuesday morning I came to Heckenwyke, baptized a child of one Alvery Neuzom at John Birkheads, then came to John Kershaws in Wyke where we had a day of thanksgiving, god helpt, god brought me safe home through very slippery ways, blessed be god

4 Wednesday I stayd at home, studyed, in the afternoon my son John and I spent some time in the parlour with my family and M.R. in prayer, oh wt. meltings! at night we had the young mens conference, god graciously helpt, blessed be god.

5 Thursday I rode to Sam Wainhous, prayd with his wife, visited Jon. Priestly, god wonderfully helpt my heart at night in prayer, blessed be god.

6 friday I stayd at home stndyed all day on Heb. 11 12, god helpt at night, my soul was inlarged in family, in closet, blessed be god, oh wt a loving god have I.

7 Saturday god helpt me in my study, in my prayers in some measure, tho not so as sometimes, let god have glory of all.

8 Lords day god sweetly helpt me in prayer and in preaching to lay open popish doct. and confute them, in 30 particulars in Councel of Trent, from keeping faith for I was bound to warn my people of them

9 munday forenoon I stayd at home, discoursed with Mr. Dury, after dinner went to Cromwel bottom, visited, discoursed, prayed with Mtris Hodgson, at night was at Thomas Bentlys where several spent some time in prayer, god helpt me.

10 Tuesday forenoon I studyed, afternoon rode to Morley, lodged at Mr. John Brooksbanks

11 Wednesday Mr Dawson and I preacht at the meeting-place in Morley, had a full assembly, gracious assistance, blessed be god, lodged at J. Brooksbanks, many visited us.

12 Thursday morning we visited Mr. Craist. Tho. Dawson. Wid. Haliday, Mr. Pickering, &c. dined at Ch. Watsons, came home, there found all well, my son Eli. came home, blessed be god for all this mercy.

13 friday we had a private fast at my house, at M.R. invitation for the church and nation, it was a good day, my son El. Jon. Priestly, Mr Dawson and I were exercised, oh how god assisted, melted my heart in the close.

14 Saturday god did graciously assist me in my masters work, in studying, praying with my wife, alone, helped my son Eli. in the family very graciously, blessed be god.

15 Lords day god graciously helped this poor worthles servant in the ordinances of his sabbath, blessed be god, in the evening my son Eliezer and I spent some time in prayer, oh wt meltings !

16 munday that day twelve month my dear brother dyed,

god in some measure assisted in study, prayer, blessed be god.

17 Tuesday I stayd at home, studyed, read in Magd-Centur. afternoon went to Overbryar, visited, prayed with Phoebe Lister, came home, studyed.

18 Wednesday I spent the day something triflingly, tho in my study to little purpose, without a heart for god, Lord humble me, at night we had the young mens conference I spake good words but without a suitable heart yet some help god gave me that night in my closet before I went to bed.

19 Thursday God helped me to spend my time more profitably in studying a sermon on 2 Joh. 8, he suggested much suitable matter, afterwards my wife and I visited Martha Wardman, at night god assisted, blessed be god

20 friday I stayd at home, oh what a good day was it, I designed it a fast by my self alone, and part of it till 2 a clock god helpt, till J.P. visiting me took me off, god warmed my heart in pleading for Eng., I will heark. wt. he will speak

21 Saturday I stayd at home, god helpd my studys and in prayer with my wife, blessed be god.

22 Lords day god did in some measure assist my heart in praying, preaching, blessed be his holy name.

23 munday forenoon I studyed, afternoon my wife and I visited Mary Denton, I discoursed, prayed with, gave her a mark of our contribution, visited Mr W. Kitchingman at Skircot, lodged at Mtris Bentlys in Halifax, prayed with one John Aster, melancholy.

24 who came to me in the morning, with whom I discoursed, prayed, but he was not capable, a young man having strange fancys, revelations, that forenoon visited friends, so came home, studyed, was helpt, deo gratias.

25 Wednesday I preacht at home to young people from Ps. 22. 39, god wonderfully helpt in prayer, and in some measure in preaching, blessed be god, at night we had the young mens conference.

26 Thursday I rode to Sowrby preacht my lecture at Sam Hopkinsons, had a very numerous assembly, comfortable assistance, blessed be my god, returned home, found all well.

27 friday I rode to Ovenden, visited Mtris furnasse, thence to Holdworth, preacht at Bridget Smiths, a widows house had a multitude of people, good assistance, much encouragmt. of successe, blessed be god.

28 Saturday forenoon I studyed, afternoon rid to visit Dinah Tetley being under sad temptations, prayd with her, with Edith Brooksbank, El. Baxter, studyed in the evening, god helped, blessed be his name.

29 Lords day I was graciously assisted in my masters work, finished my text on 2 Tim. 4. 7.8. blessed be god for a crown, its laid up, I shall have it in gods time

30 munday morning I rode to Bingley, preacht at Joshua Walkers at Rushworth-hall, found sweet assistance in praying, preaching on Luk. 14. 28, lodged there.

31 Tuesday morning I set out thence, came to Will. Hurds where we had a private fast, god melted my heart wn Joseph Lister was at prayer and when I concluded, blessed be god.

January $167\frac{8}{9}$

1 Wednesday I preacht at John Butterworths in Warly on Pro. 11. 30. god did graciously assist, a multitude of people, I baptized his daughter Mary, blessed be god for this good begining.

2 Thursday forenoon I studyed, but could not get matters forward about my brothers notes, afternoon I went to visit M. Rushworths daughter sick, had company visited me, god helpt me at night in prayer, blessed be god

3 friday we had a solemne fast at Mr Dawsons house, god sweetly drew out my heart about the affairs of the nation, blessed be my god

4 Saturday forenoon I studyed, wrote letters, after dinner rode towards Alverthorp, lodged at Mr. Josiah Oates at at Chickenly

5 Lords day morning rode to Alverthorp, preacht, god graciously helpt on Jon 16. the bad news of Parls. proroging did quicken prayer with inlargemt, blessed be god, I returned to Chickenly

6 munday morning after prayer in the family, I rode onwards, called of M. Walker, dined there, went to

prayer, called of D. Tetley there also god helped in conference, prayer, visited S Rushworth returned home.

7 Tuesday I stayd at home, after I had read my chap. in the morning I set my self to pray in my study, and oh how sweetly did the Lord carry out my heart for Zion about one hour, oh wt a melting season was it! the rest I studyed, Mr Naylor lodged with me.

8 Wednesday morning I got up early, rode to John Armitages at Lidget, preacht there, tho but to very few, yet god helpt, I was comforted in my work, at night I lodged with one Mathew Moorhouse in the neighbourhood, discoursed, prayed with his wife, distempered.

9 Thursday I went by Kirkburton called of Mr Thorp, dined with him, and of Jo. Robuck god brought me safely home, tho it was frost, snow, tedious ways, blessed be god.

10 friday morning I studyed a sermon, god assisted, that day we had a solemne day of fasting, prayer, god helpt Josh. Soynier, Mr. Dawson, my self, I had plenty of words in prayer tho not such affection as some times, Lord humble, yet god helpt in preaching, blessed be god.

11 Saturday I stayd at home studyed, god helpt in prayer by myself, with my wife in a poor weak measure, night assisted in my studys

12 Lords day god helped in my publick work preaching praying, lords supper, baptizing Abr. Bairstows child, repeating, god helpt, blessed be god

13 Munday Mr Dawson, Nat. Bottomley Jo. Armitage James Taylour &c and I kept a fast at John Robucks, oh how god melted, helped my heart, came home that night.

14 Tuesday I rode with my wife to Halifax to the funeral of old Edward Hudson my neighbour, heard Mr Hovy minister at Coley who made a learned discourse on Gen. 25. 8, at night in my return home I called of Jonath. Bentlys wife in a consumption, discoursed, prayd with her.

15 Wednesday I, my wife, and son John went to John Kershaws, had a private fast wherein god did mercifully assist in the duty of prayer, gave incouragmt, blessed

be his name, at night we had our young men's conference.

16 Thursday I should have been at the funeral of Mary Denton, but was at a fast at James Holsteds at Warley wherein god graciously assisted, blessed be his name.

17 friday I kept home all day (except visiting Will. Clay that broke his arm with a fall in the towngate Jan. 15) I studyed, god helpt in prayer.

18 Saturday god helpt me graciously, beyond my expectations in my studys and at night, both in family prayer and in my closet to pour out my soul to god for converting grace to soules, good to the nation, my family, blessed be my god for help.

19 Lords day god sweetly assisted my heart in praying, preaching, he made it a good day, at night he helpt my son John in preaching sweetly of Repentance, god graciously helpt me to blesse god in my family.

20 munday we spent as a solemne day of fasting and prayer at James Tetlys, oh it was a very good day, god did wonderfully assist Mr Dawson, my son John and myself in that solemne work, blessed be god, he will hear.

21 Tuesday Mr Dawson and I rode to Bradford, attended the funeral of our friend Mtris Waterhouse, Mr Pemberton, the vicar preacht a pretty acute learned sermon on Phi. i. 23, at night god helped me in family prayer

22 Wednesday I stayd at home studyed, writ the Epistle dedicatory to my brothers book, god helpt in prayer with my wife, by myself, blessed be god

23 Thursday I rid to Sowrby preacht my lecture, was wonderfully assisted in prayer, but found not usual help in preaching. Lord humble, I called of Mr. Horton, so came home, blessed be god.

24 friday I stayed at home, studyed, in the afternoon my servant being absent my wife went to prayer, oh how sweetly, my heart was much affected, at night in my family god drew out my soul with much warmth for the nation a good piece of an hour, blessed be god.

25 Saturday I studyed, god helpt graciously, and in prayer with my wife, by myself, blessed be my good god.

26 Lords day god helpt me to lay open Saints priviledges from Rom. 8. 32 to conclude it tho I was not so inlarged in

prayer as at other times, Lord humble me. I was comforted with a letter from my son Eliezer.

27 munday morning I studyed, at 11 a clock went to Joshua Soyniers where we had a private day, Josh. went to prayer and then my dear Ld helped me strangly to plead for the nation beyond what usually I have met with, at 2 a clock I left them having more necessary occasions, came home studyed

28 Tuesday forenoon I studyed, after dinner visited Rich. Hoyles daughter, prayed with her, Phœbe Paulard, prayed with her, Sarah Stancliff prayed with her, cald of Mr Dawson, had the news of Parlts dissolving

29 Wednesday I rode to Capt Hodgsons at Cromwel bottom, there we had a private day of fasting and prayer, he with W. Hurd, J. Nickol, W. Butler and I were excercised, god helpt

30 Thursday I kept a day of solemne fasting and prayer from 11 to 3 god graciously assisted my spirit in prayer, preaching, oh how sweetly was my heart drawn out upon Deut. 28, 47.48. there was a considerable company, blessed be god.

31 friday forenoon I studyed, afternoon I visited Micael Best at Shelf-hall, M. Bairstow at Ed. Slaters, went to little Horton to see Mtris Sharp, but found her dead, god helpt at night in prayer in my family, closet

february $167\frac{8}{9}$

1 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed hard all day upon the Lords prayer, yet did not find that help in prayer as sometimes, Lord humble.

2 Lords day I begun my discourses upon the Lords prayer at home, god did very graciously assist my spirit in powring out my soul to god in prayer and made it a good day.

3 munday morning my wife and I went to Bradford to the funeral of old Mris Sharp of little Horton, heard Mr. Pemberton on Heb. 9. 27, dined at Mr Woods, so stayd all night at Mr Sharps

4 Tuesday we stayd, conversed with Mr Sharp, dined there, so came home, found all wel, blessed be god.

5 Wednesday my wife and I went to Halifax to the funeral

of Martha Hoyle, Rich Hoyl of godleys second daughter, visited friends, returned safe home, blessed be god.

6 Thursday I stayd at home all day, god withdrew from my heart that morning and the night before, I was discouraged yet he came to my heart in the evening in secret and in my family, blessed be god.

7 friday we had a solemne day of fastinge and prayer upon the account of Alice Holt, god wonderfully helped our hearts, it was a good day, blessed be god.

8 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, oh how god helpt, only in afternoon I rode to John Stancliffs, discoursed plainly with him, prayed, god helpt, came home, fell to my study.

9 Lords day was a good day, god did mightily assist me in praying and preaching to a full assembly upon Our Father, blessed be my god, god wonderfully helpt me at night in my family.

10 munday forenoon I was not well being sore afflicted with headach, god removed it, in afternoon I went to Will. Butlers, spent some time with them in a solemne duty of prayer, god sent my son John safe home.

11 Thursday I stayed at home all day, writ some controversys at night, god met my heart, blessed be god for grace is free.

12 Wednesday morning Mr Cotes, his son, &c, visited me, after I went to the funerall of Jeremiah Kersheys wife at Burstall, and returned safe.

13 Thursday I had many visitors, Mr Issot, Mr. Cotes, Mr Holdsworth, &c, yet god helpt me a little in my studys, and at night my son John and I spent some time secretly in prayer, oh wt meltings! blessed be god.

14 friday I stayd at home, studyed, god graciously helpt in what he called to, in family, closet, blessed be his glorious name

15 Saturday I stayd at home, studyed, god suggested much matter to me, sweetly

16 carried me through the dutys of the Lords day upon the title Father, helped in prayer, blessed be his name.

17 munday my wife and I rode to Rich. Hoyles where we had a private day, god did wonderfully melt my heart, blessed be his name.

18 Tuesday I stayd at home all day and god graciously helped me in studying part of a sermon, he inlarged my heart sweetly in prayer in family, closet, blessed be my god take thou the praise

19 Wednesday we had a solemne fast at Jonath Priestlys, god wonderfully drew out my heart in the close for the church and nation, I blesse my Lord, its a good token

20 5-day I rode to Sowrby, preacht at Sam. Hopkinsons on 1 cor. 7. 29 found gracious assistance, called in Halifax, prayd with Judith Ramsdens daughter at John Jacksons, visited Mtris Bentley

21 6 day we had a solemne fast at my house preparatory for sacramt, oh. wt. a good day was it ! god sweetly helped my heart both in praying and preaching, blessed be my good god

22 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god helped me in my work of studying tho I had a bad *caue to* trifling heart godwards in religious dutys, Lord humble.

23 1t day being Lords day god wonderfully assisted my heart in prayer, preaching, Lords supper, repetition, oh wt. a good day was it ! blessed be his name

24 2d day I rode to John Cordinglys near Hightown, where Mr. Dawson Mr Holdsworth, and I kept a fast and god graciously helped us on the behalf of a woman unequally yoaked

25 3d day in the morning I studyed, at 10 a clock went to Tho. Gills helpt in a private day till one a clock,— returned home Rich. Healy visited me, I studyed at night, had young mens conference, god graciously helped.

26 4th day I rode to Idle preacht there in the chappel, god graciously assisted about 3 houres in preaching on Hos. 9. 12 to a great congregation, at night I lodged with Mr Cotes at Rawden.

27 5th day I stayd dinner with Mr. Cotes, his son came with me, we called of Mr. Sharp, came home, found all well, blessed be god.

28 6th day I was sent for in the morning to visit Phebe Stancliff, where I was much affected in prayer, discourse, after went to James Brooksbanks where we had a solemne day of fasting, prayer, god wonderfully assisted Mr Dawson, Jon. Priestly, my self, blessed be god.

1 Moneth viz March

1 7th day in forenoon I writ a letter to London—studyed—after dinner rode to Alverthorp, lodged at Will. Wadsworths.

2 1t day being Lords day I preacht at Alverthorp, had a full assembly, comfortable assistance, blessed be god, repeated at W. W.

3 2d day I visited Mr J. Holdsworths daughter, dying, prayd,—preacht at Mr Naylours to a full assembly being a solemne fast for his wife, came to John Hivesons, baptized a child, so came home safe, tho late

4 3d day I preacht at John Butterworths in Warly god graciously helpt, blessed be god.

5 4th day my son Eli and I set out for Lancashire, called of Mr Horton, went to Ratchdal, lodged at Mat. Hallows that night.

6 5th day in the morning we rode to Duckenfield to Cozen Angiers, walkt in afternoon to see my sister Mary Angier at J. Johnsons, lodged at Duckenfield.

7 6 day forenoon did busines with my cozen, my son went into Nottinghamshire, I rode to Manchester, lodged with my brother Hulton

8 7th day forenoon I visited Cozen Eaton, Mr Newcom in Manchester, after dinner rode to little Leaver, lodged at Sister Ester Whiteheads.

9 1t day being Lords day, I preacht at Cocky chappel, had a full assembly, gracious assistance, blessed be god, repeated at my sisters at night.

10 2d day morning dispatcht busines, rode to Bolton, dined at brother Okeys, preacht to a full assembly there that night, lodged there, blessed be god

11 3rd day came early in the morning to little Leaver, preacht at Adam fernisides to a full assembly, god graciously assisted, ordered matters that night.

12 4th day morning I set towards Craven, travelled hard by Haslingden, Burnley, Colne, dined at J. Blakys in Colne, so lodged at Rich Mitchels in Marten parish in Craven.

13 5th day preached the lecture at John Heys, god wonderfully inlarged, blessed be my good god.

14 6th day viz friday I came home, had John Baldwins

company a quaker, disputed with him in the rode about original sin, baptism, &c., found al wel at my return, blessed be god.

15 7th day wch was the day I was baptized, god a little helpt me in prayer in the morning, at noon wn my son John went abroad, at night in my family and closet, blessed be god, and assisted my heart and head in studying.

16 1t day god graciously helpt me in my Lords day work in praying, preaching, repeating, blessed be my god

17 2nd day I stayd at home, writ some things, afternoon rode to Jon. Priestly, returned, god helpt in family prayer, blessed be god for zion

18 3d day I stayd at home, had several visitors, my god helpt me in writing part of my father Angiers life wch multiplyed in my hands at night, god helpt in family, closet.

19 4th day I stayd at home, studyed, god assisted, at night we had the young mens conference, god helpt in that work, blessed be god.

20 5th day I rode to Sowrby, preacht at Stubbings, found much assistance both in praying and preaching, baptized James Holsteds child in my return, called of Mr Hough and his wife in Halifax.

21 6th day I stayd at home al day in the forenoon, my son read Green, Berry and Hills tryal—strange things, afternoon I studyed, god helpt, and melted my heart in secret prayer.

22 the 7th day I stayd at home, god graciously helpt in my study, in prayer, with my wife, tho I found not god as sometimes in secret, Lord humble me

23 Lords day god graciously assisted my heart in preaching upon gods being in heaven Mat. 6. 9. wherein god did much inlarge me in prayer.

24 2d day I stayd at home, had visitors, studyed some, at night had some fruits of gods grace in duty, secret, in family

25 3rd day in the morning I writ to Mrs Denton, my wife and I rode to Halifax, were at the funeral of Jeremiah Watson, visited several, came home safe, blessed be my good god.

26 4th day upon a call I rode to Holdworth to keep a private

day with S.S. but the town seeing me come flockt a great company thither so that tho James Waddington and J. Baites prayed yet I spent the rest of the time in praying and preaching extempore on Gal. 6. 3. 4. god wonderfully assisted.

27 5 day I stayd at home writ my father Angiers Life, and god brought sundry things to my remembrance, at night god assisted my son John in the family, and my soul in closet prayer, blessed be god

28 6th day at Will Clays, god helped me, my son John, Mr. Dawson and Jon. Priestly &c in a solemne day of fasting and prayer, principally for the good of the nation, oh it was a good day, blessed be god.

29 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, my god prospered me in my studys, assisted me in sweet workings of spirit, in prayer with my wife, but was much straitened alone —god is wise.

30 Lords day I preacht, was wonderfully helpt in prayer, preaching, concluded the preface to the Lds prayer, it was a good day, blessed be my god

31 2d day I stayd at home, god graciously assisted in prayer in the morning, yt day I had several visitors, god did withdraw in secret at night, oh for a discovery of the cause

April 1. 1679

1 3d day being Tuesday I stayd at home and in the forenoon I set some time apart in my closet to seek god, and it was a melting season, blessed be god, and also at night for the church of god, he will hear.

2 4 day I stayd at home, studyed, god helped my heart in prayer in some measure, at night we had the yong mens conference, god assisted

3 5Th I studyed in the morning, towards noon rode to Halifax to the funeral of Josh. Dons child a son of 2 yeares old, Dr Hook preacht on 1 cor. 15. 26, after I visited some, came home, studyed--god graciously helpt me in praising god in family duty

4 6th day we had our solemne day of fasting and prayer on account of the Lds supper, evening god helped me in preaching and in prayer with abundance of expression, but I had not such a working of mind and affection as at some times, Ld humble me.

5 | 7th day god helped me graciously in my study, that I had done my sermons in convenient time, set myself to pray, meditate, but was interrupted

6 | 1st day god helped me wonderfully in praying, preaching, administring Lords supper, and Mr Dawson preacht at night in way of repetition from Psal. 126. 4. god made it a good day, blessed be god.

7 | 2d day I stayd at home, had visitors, studyed some, yet had not gods presence as sometimes—Lord humble my heart.

8 | 3d day I stayd at home in forenoon, writ letters to London rode to Jon Priestlys in the forenoon, afternoon visited Nathan Crowther, Phoebe Lister, prayd with her, at night god assisted in my family.

9 | 4th day forenoon I studyed, god helpt in that and secret prayer, after dinner I rode to John Ramsdens of Southourum preacht there to a few at his request, he being not well, god helpt me, brought me home.

10 | 5th day I went to Sourby to the funeral of Mr. Joshua Horton, where Dr. Hook preacht on Josh. 23. 14, god helpt me both in the morning and at night to plead for a succession of his children in his room.

11 | 6 day was appointed a publick fast for the nation, god brought a great congregation to my house, helped my son John in prayer, me wonderfully both in prayer and preaching on Amos 5. 15, there was very wonderfull meltings of heart, it was a token for good, blessed be god

12 | 7th day forenoon I studyed, writ a letter, afternoon I rode to Ratchdal, lodged at Robt Milnes

13 | Lords day I rode to Shaw Chappel, preacht there quietly to a nnmerous assembly, but at night had some molestation, was taken by Mr Tho. Baskervil, high constable, was brought before Mr Entwisle of Ormskirk justice of peace, who was very angry with me—Lord sanctify this this prosecution.

14 | 2d day Mr Entwisle came to Ratchdal, took suretys for my appearance at Manchester the next quarter sessions, after was set at liberty walked to see some friends, J. Haslam, &c.

15 | 3 day forenoon Mr Johnson called of me, we discoursed,

in the afternoon my son John and I came home, found all well, blessed be god.

16 4 day I stayed at home, studyed in forenoon, afternoon our young men spent it in prayer, oh what a sweet season was it! my heart was wonderfully drawn out wn W.N., S.H., my son, and my self prayed.

17 5th day I went to Sourby, preacht there, had a full assembly, great inlargemts, finisht my discourse on Jer. 3. 25. god helped, I dined with Mr Horton jun. at Sourby

18 6th day wch was the day of both my sons birth-day we had a solemne fast at Jer. Baxters, there god helpt my son John in prayer, and baptized me in teares, in personal, family and publie accounts—they call it good friday, it was a very good day to me.

19 7th day was also a good day tho I met not with god as I desired in seeret, yet with my wife and son god melted my heart in the afternoon, blessed be god, oh for suitable frame.

20 1t day god did graciously assist my heart in my own house al day, there was a very great congregation tho in prayer I had not sueh meltings as some times, yet at night in family god assisted—John preacht.

21 2d day morning I rode to Norwood green, visited Dinah, Rebeeca Kershaw, prayd with her, then rode to Pudsey, thence attended the funeral of Mr Sale at Calverly, then called at Mr Sharps, god brought me safe home, blessed be god.

22 3d day I set out a great journey towards Nottinghamshire, I and my wife, son John and Tim. Holt, ealled and dined at Mr Thorps at Hopton, thence rode to Denbigh, lodged at Mr Cottons

23 4 day in the morning we rode (parting with my son John who turned back to supply my plaee 2 days at home) we eald at Nat. Bottomly's, W. Robucks, Mr Benton at Barnsley, lodged at Mr Wadsworths at Swath-hall, had mercy.

24 5 day morning we rode on, dined at Mr. Gels * at Carhouse, rode on, called at Mr Hatfields, lodged at Mr. Stannifords at furbeck, came opportunely.

25 6 day being friday we had a solemne fast there, Mr Porter and I carryed on the work above 6 houres, there were

* Gill's

many people, god assisted in preaching and praying, that night I rode in the coach to Mr. Taylors, we called at Sr. Ralph Knights

26 7th day forenoon I read, studyed, in afternoon Tim. Holt, my son Eliezer who lives there and myself spent some time in prayer, god graciously assisted towards evening, we went again to Mr. Stannifords, 2 miles,

27 Lords day according to appointmt. I preached at furbeck church, god sent in a pretty ful congregation considering that countrey, several of the gentry, Sr Ralph Knight, &c god helpt graciously from Luk. 14. 27.

28 2d day we went in the forenoon back to Wallin-wells with my son, lodged there that night, god shewed us mercy several ways

29 3d day after dinner I, my wife, son, and Tim. Holt went to Mr Hatfields at Laughton, lodged there all night, stayed dinner next day, had full discourse with ye ingenious gentleman, so returned to Mr Taylors, on the

30 4th day so lodged there where my concern chiefly lay, whither I had promised the major to came, but betwixt the promise and performance god pluckt him away by death, so I wanted his company, Lord sanctify that losse.

May 1679

1 5th day we went (viz. I, my wife, sons, Mtris Cart, T. Holt), to Mr Jessops a justice of peace in Sherwood forrest in Nottinghamshire, visited him his good aunt Mtris South, dined there, stayd all day, discoursed of many things, came back to Wallin-wells 3 miles

2 6 day we stayd in our lodgings, in the afternoon I designed our setting apart some time to spend it in prayer, Mr. Heycock, my son, T. Holt and I prayed in Mtris Carts chamber, Mtris Taylor, her maid, &c. were there, god graciously helpt.

3 7 day I spent in retiremt. god melted my heart abundantly in prayer with my wife, and in studying—in preparing for the approaching sabbath.

4 Lords day came a considerable company to Wallin-wels, whom they admitted, god helpt me to preach on 2 Joh. 8 forenoon and afternoon, blessed be god.

5 2d day Mr Taylor, Mr Knight set out for London, and after prayer, dinner, we set homewards, called at Ro-

theram, visited Mtris Clayton &c, lodged at Mr. Gels* at Carhouse, god helpt in prayer there.

6 3d day we stayd and dined at Mr. Gells afternoon rode to Lady Rhodes at Houghton conversed with that sweet ingenious family, lodged all night, had mercy.

7 4th day we got up early in the morning, got on horseback at 8 a clock, came to Wakefield, dined at Sam. Hides, set homewards, called of John Birkheads, so came home, found all well at our return, blessed be god, oh the mercy of this journey

8 5th day in the forenoon I stayd at home studyed, designed a journey into Lanc. in afternoon but terrible thunder and rain stopped me till almost 5 a clock, then went to littleborough, lodged at John Stots

9 6th day morning I travelled to Manchester, waited on the Sessions, was called, came off clear, god wonderfully working in his providence for me. I lodged at brother Hultons, had company of Mr. Tilsley, Dr. Cart, &c.

10 7th day I travelled home, called at Ratchdal came home safely home about 4 a clock, fell to my study

11 1t day I preacht twice at my own house, god wonderfully assisted in praying, preaching, repeating, it was a good day blessed be my Lord.

12 2d day I stayd at home drunk my dyetdrink, had visitors, trifled except that I writ this relation of my sessions busines, yet god helpt in family work

13 3d day I stayd at home studyed writ letters, about 5 a clock god did wonderfully draw out my heart in secret prayer, praise, oh good time

14 4th day my wife and I went to the funeral of Mr Sharps little daughter Elizab.—heard Mr Pemberton preach at Bradford, returned safe home

15 5th day I went to Sourby, preacht my lecture there, god wonderfully helpt, blessed be god, baptized a child of Joseph Briars in my return

16 6th day we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer at my house, god graciously helped, preparatory for Lds supper, blessed be god

17 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt in afternoon,

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my son John and I spent some time in prayer, god graciously assisted, blessed be god.

18 Lords day god mercifully helped in all dutys and ordinances, expounding, praying, teaching, administring, Lds supper, my son John preacht

19 munday I rode to Joshua Stansfields of little Horton where Mr Sharp and I, and many others kept a day of thanksgiving for the deliverance in child bearing of 5 brothers wives, viz Timothys, Joshuas, Samuels Jamess Josiahs Stansfields wives in childbed

20 3d day my son, wife and I rode to Capt. Hodgsons at Cromwel-bottom, we with Mr Dawson, James Tetley &c. kept a solemne day of fasting and prayer there, god wonderfully inlarged, blest be god

21 4th day I stayd at home, studyed till after dinner, then rode to Mtris Cottons at Denbigh, where I met Mr. Prime of Sheffield, Mr Wright, Mr Kerby, lodged there.

22 5th day in the morning god helped my heart in prayer having received an incouraging letter from my son Eliezer, I writ back to him. Mr Prime and I preacht that day to a full assembly, god wonderfully helpt, it was a good day, blessed be god.

23 6th day forenoon I stayd at Mtris Cottons, god melted my heart in secret and in the family in prayer, I read in a book, after dinner rode to Nath. Bottomlys, stayd a while, went to Will. Robucks, lodged there, god made me of some use.

24 7th day in forenoon Nath. Bottomly, Will. Robuck and I spent some time in prayer in the chamber about some solemne busines, and church, god wonderfully helpt, afternoon I went to Horbury, visited Jo. W., R. Gledal, &c. lodged with George Issot

25 Lords day morning we rid to Alverthorp there god helped me in prayer, praise, preaching all day, god brought a great congregation, it was a good day, my text was 2 Joh. 8,. I lodged at John Kirks.

26 2d day Mr J Holdsworth came to see me, after breakfast, prayer in family, I rode homewards, called of Mr Josiah Oates, dined at Deusbury with Mr John Nettleton, rid home, found all well, my son at J. Holsteds at a fast.

27 3d day morning my son John and I rode to Dean-head 8

miles there, I preacht at one John Robinsons house (a place where I never was before) to a very full assembly, good affections, blessed be god, I lodged at Mr Jonas Dysons of Slawait

28 4th day in the morning I went to John Armitages at Lidget, there Mr Root and I joyned in an exercise, god helped graciously, I lodged at Mathew Moorhouses house.

29 thence in the morning I rode to Paul Greaues at Smaushaw there Mr. Naylor and I preacht kept a solemne day amongst abundance of people upon occasion of his sad and strange hurt, distemper, god helpt, I stayd all night there.

30 in the morning came to Mtris Cottons, stayd dinner there, so travelled home, found all well, blessed be god, called of Mr Richardson, there heard the news of the Parlts prorogation.

31 7th day I stayd at home, god sweetly assisted my heart in my study, in the afternoon my son, wife and I spent some time in prayer, all excercised, wonderfully melted, oh wt a flood of teares ! blessed be god.

June 1679

1 Lords day god helped me amongst a multitude of people to preach on 2 chron. 20. 20. it was a good day blessed be god, I have seldom found my heart carryed out so in prayer in public as that forenoon for nation.

2 2d day I stayd at home all day, had severall visitors on several accounts J. P., R. H., &c, god helpt in baptizing J. St. child Mary, in studying, blessed be god.

3 3d day I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt in secret prayer in afternoon very sweetly, blessed be God.

4 4th Day I went to Kipping where Mr Jolly was to preach, I prayed almost two houres, god did wonderfully assist prevailed myself in preaching Mr Jolly was about four houres in the work, god helpt, blest be god

5 5th day god helpt me a little in study I, my wife son dined with Rich. Hoyle at godley—towards evening the Lord graciously met my heart in secret, blessed be his name pleading for church

6 6th day Mr Jolly Mr Dawson & I kept a solemne fast at Mr Dawsons on the publick account of the nation, god

made it an exceeding good day many people assembled, oh wt. meltings of heart had I wn. Mr Jolly and my self were excercised—god will hear

7 7th Day I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt, in afternoon my son John and I spent some time in prayer, oh how god helped us with many teares and affectionat groanes in prayer, blessed be god

8 1t day god helped me very graciously in preaching, tho I found not such assistance in praying as at other times, Lord humble, I had an aking head all day, I guessed the cause as Jacobs lame thigh.

9 2d day Sam Holdworth and I rode to Robt. Bins at Slaugh-wait where great number of people were got together, god helpt me in praying, preaching on Rom. 5. 4. blessed be god

10 3d day having lodged at Robt. Bins I got up early, but got not away till 9 a clock, came home at 12 went to my study tho I did not much there, yet at night god helpt in young mens conference and other dutys, blessed be god

11 4th day I stayd at home, puzzled at my study, did but little my spirit was discomposed, went to Ph. firth, discoursed, prayed with her, god helpt in a difficult duty, blessed be god

12 5th day my son John and I went to Sowrby both preacht at Sam Hopkinsons, god graciously helpt, it was a good day I called of Est. Hoyl prayd with her, we came safely home, blessed be god

13 6th day we had a solemne day at my house preparatory to Lords supper god helpt Mr Wright and my son in praying and me in preaching, praying, blessed be god.

14 7th day I stayd at home—god did help me in my prayers. studys, very graciously in family, closet.

15 1t day god graciously assisted in my publick work, administration of Lds supper and Mr Wright in preaching at night—blessed be my gracious god

16 2d day We had a solemne day of fasting and prayer, god wonderfully helped Jo Soynier, Mr Dawson, my son John and me in the Lords work, oh what a heart-melting day was it!

17 3d day I writ letters, went to J. Priestley visited Sam

Gells* daughter prayed with her came home to dinner with Brother Hulton coz. Jo, Katherine Okey Mr Cotes, in afternoon studyed discoursed with one Eliz. Barker that came from Greetland god helpt in dutys

18 4th day in the morning I rode towards Craven calld at Bingly Rushworth and Kighly was sore wet rode to Marton, lodged at Rich. Michels

19 5th day preacht at John Heys to a full assembly god helpt graciously in preaching, praying, it was a good day, and repeated discoursed, lodged at John Heys

20 6th day John and Tho. Hey came with me to Micael Broadlys at Morton bank where we had a solemne fast, god wonderfully melted my heart wn. Jo Lister and myself were at prayer, oh wt. a day was it, blessed be god—I came home found all well

21 7th day I spent at home in my study the Lord helped my heart therin and in prayer blessed be my god

22 1t day god sweetly assisted my heart in finishing that Exod. 20.7., it was an heart-melting day, and at repitition blessed be my dear Lord

23 2nd day I staid at home all day in the forenoon god sweetly melted my heart in secret prayer for soules, family, nation, at night we had yong mens conference.

24 3d day morning my wife and I rode to Jo. Kitchinmans at Skircote where I left her with friends and rode on to Mr Disons at Slaughwait, there Mr. J. Crompton and I preacht, god helped in a full assembly, came back tho late, found all wel at home

25 4th day forenoon I discoursed with Joseph Whitworth one of Mr. franklands scholrs. dined at Jer. Baxters after rode to Denbigh, lodged at Mtris Cottons.

26 5 day I rode on my journey called at Mr Gils of Carhouse, dined there, then passed on towards Wallingwels where I found the family and my son well, met Mr Billingsly there.

27 6th day Mr Billingsly and I kept a solemne day of fasting and preaching and praying at Mr. Taylours, we had together about seven houres, god did wonderfully assist, blessed be god.

28 7th day, god helpt me in my work in solitarines and

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retiremt, melted my heart in prayer, it was a good day, let god have the glory.

29 1t day I spent in the ordinances in praying, preaching, god did mercifully assist on redeeming time Eph. 5. 16, he mercifully blessed this poor work.

30 2d day in the morning I set out homewards, called at Mr Stannifords, Mr Hatfields, dined at Mr Gils lodged at Mr Blooms at Attercliff, discoursed with him about their differences.

July 1. 1679

1 3d day went to Sheffield was with Mr Prime, stayed several houres at Mr Lees house (that marryed Mr Hancocks daughter) with much company, then went to Mr Hancocks house, called Shirkly hall, there lodged.

2 4th day having discoursed Mr Hancock about the breach, I sent for Mr Bloom, had them together, we spent that forenoon in loving disputes, at last it pleased god to compose the difference, wch had long continued, blessed be god, after that Mr Hancock and I rode to Mr Wadsworths of Swath-hall, there lodged

3 5th day in the morning we went to Houghton, there I prayed and preached 4 or 5 houres, a full assembly, god graciously helped, blessed be his name, lodged there that night

4 6th day I came homewards, called to see Mtris Kerby, discoursed, prayd with her, called at Sam. Hides, so travelled homewards whither God graciously brought me, found all wel blessed be god

5 7th day I stayd at home, studyed yet disordered lost time in pitching on a text—god wonderfully inlarged my heart in prayer, blessed be god

6 1t day god helpt me beyond expectation in prayer, preaching on Gal. 3 3 tho' I was jealous what to say, blessed be god for it.

7 2d day I went to Will Naylors, there Mr Dawson, others and I kept a solemne day of fasting and prayer, I preacht on 1 Cor. 7. 29. god graciously helpt.

8 3d day forenoon I studyed, afternoon I rode towards Bramhup, called at Mr Palmes, Mr Cotes, lodged at Mr Dinelys, found all in a tollerable plight.

9 4d day morning I baptized Richard Tennants child, rode

to Idle preacht there in the chappel, god graciously helpt, came home at night, blessed be god.

10 5th day I rode to Sowrby, preacht at Sam Hopkinsons, god graciously assisted, blessed be his name, tho it was very hot and I had an aking head.

11 6 day we had our preparatory day, Mr Wright prayed 2 houres, Mr Dawson prayd and preacht above 2 hours, I had about an hour allowed me in preaching, praying, god helpt.

12 7th day I studyed, god graciously helpt, in the afternoon my sons and I spent about 2 houres in prayer, Eliezer prayd sensibly, but John exceeded in self-abasings, meltings, teares, oh what a good season was it.

13 1t day I spent at home, Mr Wright helpt me in the forenoon, 1 preacht in the afternoon, god graciously helpt out of Hos. 14, 4, and in Lords supper

14 2d day god helpt me in the morning in prayer, but most of the day was taken off with company, Mr Wright, Mr Dawson, Mr. Whitehurst

15 3 day I spent at home, writ something of special moment about an agreemt. betwixt Mr. Hancock, Mr Bloom, had some visitors, god helped.

16 4 day I was at home, god a little helpt in the morning, tho I was dull all day, visited several neighbours, J. Holdworth, Clays, Hudsons.

17 5 day morning I with my son rode to Bingly, there I preacht at Joshua Walkers, god graciously assisted, Many friends out of Craven met me there.

18 6th day I came home about noon, found all well, fell to my study in the afternoon, writ some things, a letter.

19 7th day forenoon I studyed, afternoon I rode to Alverthorp, in the way god helped my heart in admiring his goodnes. I lodged at Will. Wadsworths.

20 Lords day preacht at the meeting-place, god drew out my heart to himself, blessed be god, the officers sent word they would come about 3 a clock we begun sooner, dispatcht all before, but they came not, it was a good day

21 2d day in the morning god helped my heart in prayer, that day I preacht at Mr Naylors, thankfulnes for his wife, god graciously helpt above 3 houres, then went to Morley, called of Mr Marsden

22 | 3d day had several visitors at Morley baptized Mr Sam. Craisters child at Tong, called of Dinah Tetley &c, came home, found all well.

23 | 4th day I stayd at home, god helped me a little at morning prayer and in my studys, but at night he withdrew, I was distracted, Lord humble me.

24 | 5th day I stayd at home and spent about two houres in the forenoon alone in prayer for my own soul, my wife, children, church, oh it was a melting season, blessed be god, afternoon studyed, god helped.

25 | 6th day I stayd at home, studyed, found help, afternoon rode to Jon. Priestlys, spent some time in prayer with my wife, god helped.

26 | 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god assisted, in afternoon my wife and I spent some time in prayer, oh how god helpt us both, blessed be his name.

27 | 1 day in the forenoon, excercised at my house, the Lord wonderfully drew out my heart with many teares for the church and nation—hearing bad news—and in preaching on Phi. 2.17. it was a good day.

28 | 2d day I stayd at home in forenoon, did something in my study, afternoon we had a meeting at Tho. Bentlys, god helpd in prayer, at 5 a clock we had the young mens conference, god helpt.

29 | 3d day morning I rode towards Deanhead, called of John Simpson, rode on, preacht at John Robinsons to a great assembly, god graciously helped, it was a good day, I returned home at night found all well.

30 | 4th day I rode into Craven, called of Mr. Hough, before I went I baptized Will. Clays daughter Phoebe, I lodged at John Heys.

31 | 5th day I preacht at John Heys, had a full assembly, gracious assistance upon Exod 20. 7. blessed be god, lodged at Rich. Mitchels

August 1679

1 | 6th day I went forward towards Westmorland attended with John Beck of Kendal, came to Mr franklands that night, blessed be god.

2 | 7th day forenoon I stayed, discoursed with Mr. Frank. and his schollars, afternoon went to Kendall, visited friends was at the Mayors house, &c.

3 1t day I preacht to Mr. Frankl. people in a very full assembly in a great hall belonging to Mr. Bellingham, farmed by Henry Strickland, a very numerous assembly.

4 2d day I travelled with John Sutton to Settle, I lodged at Mr. Carres in a town called Landcliff, where Rich. Mitchel met me.

5 3d day I travelled homewards, called at Rich Mitchels, dined, so came on, lodged at Tho. Leaches where several met me.

6 4th day I came to the appointed meeting at Mr. Whitehursts where Mr. Jolly, Mr. Marsden, Mr. Ashly of Hull, Mr. Whitaker, Mr. Holdworth and I with many others met to compose the difference, I came home at night, found all wel, blessed be god.

7 5th day I rode to Stubbings, preacht my lecture, god assisted, after that rid to Ratchdal about special busines, lodged at Mr Hallows

8 6 day in the forenoon I made some visits then did the work I came about, viz paying 50li of my sons to cozen W.W. dined at Mr. Hallows, so came home that night, found one from Mr. Hancocks.

9 7th day I stayd at home all day and god helped me in some measure in my studys, dutys, tho my travels made me somewt. drowsy

10 1t day god did graciously assist me by his spirit in prayer, preaching, catechizing, repetition, blessed be my good god, grace is free.

11 2d forenoon I visited sick persons at Widow Clays, discoursed, prayed with them, afternoon the young men met at my house, prayd from 2 till 7, god graciously helpt

12 3d day in the morning I visited Abrah. Holt being visited, prayed with him, after that my wife and I rode to Wyke where Mr Dawson, Joseph Lister, and I kept a fast with many women for Esther Kershaws safe deliverance in childbearing, oh wt a good day.

13 4th day I got ready and went with Mr Dawson to Swathhall, we traveld comfortably togather, had sweet conference, god brought us safely thither

14 5th day we preacht together at Swath-hall, god graciously helped, brought through, after that Mr Bloom and I ——

15 6th day god carryed us safely home, we came by Wakefield and baited there, arrived safely at home, blessed be god, found all well.

16 7th day I stayd at home studyed, god helpt, my wife and I and maid spent some time in prayer, not affectionatly.

17 1t day god assisted my heart in my lords work on Thy Kingdom come, he helpt in prayer, repetition.

18 2d day I stayd at home god did mercifully help my heart in studying, praying, blessed be god.

19 3d day I rode to John Butterworths, preacht there on Gal. 5. 24. god helpt wonderfully in prayer, my heart was melted, there was a full assembly.

20 4th day morning I rode to John Armitages in Kirkburton parish, people were waiting for me, god helped in praying, preaching, I lodged at John Robucks of Hollinshouse.

21 5th day morning I came to Mr Lockwoods, calld of Abr. Robucks, Jo. Robucks, returned home, found all well, blessed be god.

22 6th day in the morning I studyed my sermon, that day we had a private day preparatory to Lds supper, god wonderfully helped, my heart in praying, preaching, blessed be god

23 7th day I stayd at home studyed god helpt my heart a little in prayer, tho long put off god knows by busy study, oh for an humbled heart!

24 1t day Mr. Dawson helpt me in preaching, god helpt my heart in praying, preaching, administring Lords supper, blessed be my god

25 2d day forenoon I stayd at home writ Father Angier's life, afternoon rode to Cromwel-bottom visited 2 children of Capt. Hodgsons sick, prayed with them, Mr Dawson, our wives with us.

26 3d day I stayd at home al day studyed tho not pertinently writ something of my father A. life, put off prayer till evening—god helpt a little tho not as sometimes

27 4th day in the morning I studyed a sermon on Psal 68. 26. god helpt that day so, we had a solemne day of thankfulnes for Will Clays wives I preacht, god graciously helpt

28 5th day I should have gone according to appointmt. to

Horsford to pray for one Lacock at Mr. Stanhups deeply melancholy, but excessive rain all day prevented me, so I stayd at home studyed

29 6th day I rode to Rawden-hall preacht at John Hardakers, god mercifully assisted in my work I came home at night found all well, blessed be god

30 7th day I stayd at home studyed until after dinner visited Jer. Crook, my wife and I spent some time in prayer god graciously assisted

31 1t day I stayd at home, preacht, God did wonderfully draw out my heart especially in prayer with many teares both parts of the day tho my teeth were Ill blessed be god

September 1679

1 2nd day of the week viz :—Munday my wife & I set forward in our Lancash. journey, visited Tim Bently, rode on to Ratchdal, lodged at Mr Math. Hallows, comfortably

2 3d day after dinner we rode to Manchester having dispatcht some business at Ratchdal, found our friends well blessed be god

3 4th day I visited friends in Manch. and at night was invited to assist at a conference at John Maddocks, god graciously helpt

4 5th day I went to little Leaver dispatcht some worldly busines, lodged all night at Sister Whiteheads preacht there, was assisted

5 6th day went back to Manchester in forenoon, visited friends in afternoon, preacht at night at Mr. John Barlows to a full assembly

6 7th day my wife and I rode to Ratliffe bridg, lodged at brother Colburns house

7 1st thence on Lords day morning we rode to Cocky chappel there I preacht twice, there was abundance of people god assisted, that night we lodged at cozen P. Seddons near Ringly chappel, many came to repitition

8 2d day we went to Bolton head the lecture preacht by Mr Hide, visited Mtris Park &c, that night I preacht a brother Okeys god helpt

9 3d day I went to little Leaver preacht at Peter Heywoods had a numerous assembly, Mr Newton should have joined with me failed god graciously assisted

10 4th day from brother Okeys we went to cozen Cromptons

in Brakinwt I preacht at John Rainfords house, it was a good day, lodged at Cr. fold

11 5th day we visited brother Goodwin and thence came to Rachdal, preacht at Robt. Milnes god helped

12 6th day we came homewards over Blackstone edge, got safe home blessed be god, had a good journey.

13 7th day morning I studyed afternoon I rode towards Wakfield, visited John Burkhead, Joshua Oates, lodged at Mr Jenkinsons at Horbury

14 1t day morning went to Alverthorp, preacht there twice, about 4 a clock John Kirk, Joseph Scot and I set forth to York, rid 8 miles, lodged at Aberford at an inne.

15 2nd day rose early, rode to York, came in about 9 a clock, found them shouting for Knights of the Shire, Lord Clifford and Ld. fairfax on one side, Sir John Kay on the other, there I lost a day in the croud, I lodged at Sr John Hewlys

16 3d day they shouted and polld, but I preacht at Lady Watsons in morning, afternoon visited some friends, was at a young mens disputation at Mr. Wards, *An Episcopatus Diocesanus sit licitus?* Spent the evening with Lady Hewet

17 4 day in the forenoon after prayers I visited Mr Brathwait, Mr Taylour, Mtris Rooksby, Aunt Darcy, Mtris Parenter, dined with Lord Clifford, Sr Gilbert Gerhard, Sr John Brook &c at Sir John Hewlys, afternoon visited others, &c.

18 5 day in the morning I preacht in Sr John Hewlys chamber, god helpt in dutys with the family, none besides, about 10 a clock set out of York, came home in good time, blessed be my good god, his mercys are sweet.

19 6th day I had several visitors, studyed little, yet god helpt a little in prayer, blessed be god.

20 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt my heart sweetly in pleading with him about 5 a clock near an hour, blessed be his name.

21 1t day god did graciously assist me in my public work, praying, preaching, expounding, repeating, catechizing, blessed be his name.

22 2d day in the morning I writ letters, then went to Heckenwyke, attended the funeral of old John Burkhead

to Burstall, called of Ab. Langly at Soud-house, Mary Walker, Dinah, &c.

23 3d day I stayd at home, studyed tho something unprofitably, reading in Melius inquirendum, had temptations yet god a little helped in prayer at night

24 4th day I stayd at home forenoon, studyed, writ letters, afternoon went to J. P., came about 4 a clock, we had the young mens conference.

25 5 day I stayd at home all day, in the forenoon I spent some time in reading chapters, prayer, god helpt, afternoon had visitors was hindred, but in my family god melted me.

26 6 day I stayd at home, studyed hard without disturbance wch is not ordinary, god helpt in my sermons, and a little in prayer, blessed be god.

27 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god helped in afternoon, my wife and I spent some time in prayer, oh it was a melting season, blessed be god.

28 1st day god very sweetly inlarged my heart in prayer, preaching on 1 cor. 15, 24, &c, oh what help had I in all ordinances!

29 2d day we had a solemne day of thanksgiving at T— Kershaws in Wyke, I baptized the child, preacht, god helpt us to own him that helped her in straits.

30 3d day I stayd at home, studyed tho much hindred by visitors, god was gracious, blessed be his name.

October 1679

1 4th day I stayd at home tho I should have been at Wakefield, studyed, god in some measure helped with my wife, family, alone in study, blessed be god

2 5th day I rode to Stubbings, preacht at Sam Hopkinsons, god wonderfully melted my heart in praying, helped in preaching on Heb. 10. 24, blessed be god

3 6 day we had our solemne day of humiliation at my house, god assisted my heart wonderfully in praying and preaching, oh 'twas a good day.

4 7th I studyed, god helped, tho we were interrupted wn my wife and I set ourselves to spend some time in prayer, much distracted by company

5 1t day god wonderfully assisted my heart in prayer, preaching, blessed be god, and in administring the Supper and repetition.

6 | 2d day I stayd at home, only visited J. Baxter's wife—studyed, god helped a little in prayer, blessed be god

7 | 3d day my wife and I rode to little Horton, we kept a solemne day of thanksgiving at Mr. Sharps for his wife delivered of a daughter a month before, it was a good day, tho my heart was not affected as sometimes on that occasion, Lord show me the cause, at night we came home, had yong mens conference.

8 | 4th day my son Eliezer and I rode to Mtris Cottons at Denbigh, god assisting in our work

9 | 5th day Mr Hancock and I preacht an excercise at Mtris Cottons, he on Col. 1. 12, I upon 1 Cor. 7. 29, god graciously came in to my heart in prayer, it was that day twelve months that his wife dyed

10 | 6th day forenoon I writ letters, stayd for fine weather, set out after dinner called of Mr Thorp, god brought me home safe, delivered me from danger of waters, blessed be god.

11 | 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt at night, god sweetly assisted in prayer and also with my wife in the afternoon blessed be god.

12 | 1t day god graciously assisted me in my work all day and comforted me in dutys, blessed be the name of god

13 | 2d day my wife and I went to the funeral of Robt. Ramsdens son at Halifax, heard Dr Hook—visited friends

14 | 3d day I rode to Dean-head where god wonderfully melted my heart in prayer, in preaching to a full assembly on Hag. 1. 5. god gave hopes of good by stirring affections, I came back home.

15 | 4th day I stayd at home, studyed, god helped in preparation for the work of the ensuing day, quickned my heart in praises

16 | 5th day we had a solemne day of thanksgiving for publick and family mercys. Mr Dawson prayd before dinner, I prayd and preacht after.

17 | 6th day we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer at John Kirshaws, oh wt. a heart-melting day was it ! god will hear and answer

18 | 7th day I stayd, studyed, prayd, god sweetly helped my heart, glory to god, it was a good day

19 | 1t day I preacht at home had a very numerous assembly—

god helpt in some measure, tho not with such meltings in prayer as sometimes.

20 2d day I traveld to great gummersal, kept a solemne fast with Mr Dawson, Mr Holsworth, many more, god sweetly helped me in preaching, praying, blessed be god—came home that night.

21 3d I rode my journey towards Craven called at John fosters baptized a child, rid to Tho Leeches, preacht there to a considerable company, lodged there, in the evening god helpt Tho Leech, Mic. Broadley, and me in prayer for the nation.

22 4th day I rode forward called at Mr Houghs at Thornton, then lodged at John Heys, god helpt me in meditating of the work of redemption in my journey.

23 5th day I preacht at John Heys to a full assembly, god wonderfully helpt in prayer, such teares, groans, that sometimes my voyce was scarce heard for the noyse of peoples crys. I have seldome heard the like—a good sign

24 6th day I came with Mtris Lambert, John Hey, to John Baldwins of Marton discoursed with his wife near her time, got safely home that night, blessed be my good god, for this sweet journey.

25 7th day I was at home, studyed, my wife and I spent some time in prayer, oh how god helped her heart but mine was dul, dead, distracted, Lord pardon.

26 1t day god made a good day, god helped me amongst a multitude of people in praying, preaching, blessed be god, concluded Job 13. 16.

27 2d day we kept a solemne fast at Alice Holts at Cockil, Mr Dawson, Jon. Priestly Jo Brooksbank and I prayed, god sweetly melted my heart, blessed be my good god, oh wt. a day!

28 3d day forenoon I writ letters—afternoon kept at home, studyed, god helpt in some measure, helped my heart in prayer at night for Zion.

29 4th day we had a solemne fast at Mr Dawsons for the publick concerns, god wonderfully inlarged my mouth in pat expressions, tho not my heart in affections.

30 5th day I rode to Sowrby, preacht my lecture there, god graciously brought many thither, assisted, quickened on Heb. 10. 24 tho alas I spy daily defects.

31 | 6th day I stayd at home in forenoon, god helpt in closet-prayer, but ws puzzled seeking for sermons I could not find, lost time, Lord pardon, afternoon my wife and I visited Ab Langley, discoursed, prayd with him, went to J. Priestlys.

November 1679

1 | 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god did graciously direct my thoughts to a text after many agitations, helpt in studying, quickned my heart in prayer with my wife, blessed be god.

2 | 1t day I preacht on Mat. 6. 10, thy will be done, god melted my heart in prayer, pleading for soules in the morning, and comforted me.

3 | 2d day I stayd at home, writ a meditation in the forenoon, walkt to visit A. N. in afternoon, studyed, and oh how the Lord assisted and inlarged in family prayer, for the church, and in thankfulnes for mercys.

4 | 3d day forenoon I stayd at home and studyed, in the afternoon Mr Dawson and I rode to Morley, lodged at Mr John Brooksbanks.

5 | 4th day we had a solemne exercise at Morley meeting-place, a very numerous assembly, Mr. Dawsons text was Deut. 33. 19, none like the god of jesh, mine of mutual exhortat. from Heb 10. 24. god graciously assisted, blessed be his name.

6 | 5th day we had a private meeting of christians for conference about the Lds supper at Morley, I begun, Mr Dawson next with prayer, we accorded sweetly, I went to Leeds, lodged at Mr Hicksons

7 | 6th day I stayd at Leeds, visited several friends, discoursed, prayed with John Milner about soul concerns.

8 | 7th day I came to Rich Hargreaves, dined with Dr. Whitaker, &c, discoursed, some sad cases of difference amongst good people—so came to Morley at night, lodged with Mr Brooksbank.

9 | in the morning he and I rode to Alverthorp where god helpt me in praying, preaching, dined at J. Kirks, came at night, lodged with Mr Oates at Chickenly

10 | 2d day got up early, called at John Burkheads, dined, discoursed with two Nolsons, baptized John son of John

Popplewel, found all wel at home, after this long absence, blessed be god.

11 3d day I rode to Warley, preacht at John Butterworths, god brought many people, gave my soul sweet inlargmt in prayer, preaching, blessed be god.

12 4th day we had a solemne fast at James Tetleys, god graciously helped my heart in that work, especially for the nation.

13 5th day forenoon I studyed, at noon went with Mr. Dawson and our wives to Daniel Gills, there dined, discoursed, prayed, returned home, some of our conference young men prayd with us

14 6th day was our solemne day of preparation for Lds supper, god graciously helped my heart in preaching, tho in prayer I was short and strait.

15 7th day I stayd at home, studyed hard, god helpt, yet not that presence of god as sometimes, Lord how oft this bad heart

16 1t day I preacht, prayd, oh how god inlarged my heart in forenoon, also in after dutys, God assisted my soul in the Lords Supper once again.

17 2d I rode to Heckenwyke, Mr Dawson, Mr Holdsworth, and I kept a solemne day of fasting and prayer at John Burkheads, god graciously assisted, returned home.

18 3d day Mr Dawson, Joseph Lister, John Hall, &c. and I kept a fast at James Dickinsons in Ovenden, god did graciously assist, blessed be god.

19 4th day I preacht at home on Eph. 3. 20. god assisted graciously in thanksgiving, prayer, preaching to a full assembly, blessed be god.

20 5th day I stayd at home, studyed, tho not so profitably as I desired, in the afternoon god helped my heart a little in prayer, blessed be god.

21 6th day Mr Dawson and many others spent a day in fasting and prayer at James Holsteads in Warley, I stayd at night, god assisted day and night blessed be god

22 7th day I rode into Lancashire over Blackstone edg, tho stormy, called at Ratchdal, went to little Leaver, lodged at my sister Ester Whiteheads.

23 Lords day preacht at Cocky chap. had a mighty auditory,

comfortable assistance, god was very gracious to us in liberty, &c.

24 2d day I dispatcht some busines in little Leaver, went to Bolton and visited friends, lodged at Brother Okeys, repeated my sermon.

25 3d day got up early took my sister with me, went over the more, preacht at Widow Tongs at Walkden Moor side, had a full assembly, good assistance, went to Manchester that night, met my son Eliezer.

26 4th day visited friends in Manch. in forenoon, dined at Brother Hultons where I lodged, went forward to Cozen Angiers in Duckinfield, dispatcht our business received legacys, discharged him.

27 5th parted with my sons at Abton, came to Ratchdal, preacht at Robt Milnes that night, lodged there.

28 6th day came homewards, baptized Benj Butterworths child, so arrived safe at home, found all well, blessed be god for mercy in the journey.

29 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god graciously assisted, with pertinent matter, a little helped in prayer

30 1t day I preached at home, god did graciously assist, it was a good day, I finisht 3d petition—thy will be done, so repeated at night.

December 1679

1 2d day I stayd at home, had S. Haliday and his wife, others to discourse with me, afternoon visited Robt. Bairstow.

2 3d day I rode to Wyke, kept a solemne fast at Joshua Kersheys, he being in a consumption, god helped me in discoursing extempore on Jer. 17. 13. 14 and praying, it was a good day, blessed be god.

3 4th day I got up early, being perplext upon a special busines wch god mercifully orderd. to satisfaction, as a return of m , went to Robt Ramsdens at Parknook, kept a solemne day of fasting and prayer wt. many more, at night young mens conference.

4 5th day I was helped in the morning in prayer, went to Sowrby, preacht my lecture at Stubbings, god graciously assisted, I calld at R.H., got home safe, tho the way was slippery.

5 6th day we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer at my

house upon M. Roat* account for the nation, god did wonderfully draw out my heart in pleading with him about two houres for church, souls.

6 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god directed in choyce of a subject and in matter, and tho I had little time yet god was gracious, blessed be god.

7 1t day I stayd at home in my publick work, god assisted my heart in some good measure, by his spirit in my praying, preaching.

8 2d day I rode to Liversidg-hal in Burstal payish where Mr Dawson, Mr Holdsworth and I spent a solemne fast, god helpt me to discourse extempore on Job 29. 4. aboue an hour, and in prayer, blessed be god.

9 3d day Mr Dawson and I rode to Bradford to the funeral of Mr Sharp son James tho a troublesom way, god secured, blessed be god, at night god helped me in my studys.

10 4th day early in the morning I set out towards John Armitages at Lidiat in Burton parish, got thither with much difficulty about 12, preacht, god helped, went that night to Robt Bins at Slaughwait, blessed be god.

11 at whose house I preacht on the day following to a full assembly, and my Lord gave comfortable assistance, it was a good day, glory to god.

12 6th day after prayers I set forth, came homewards by Brighouse, it was wonderfully slippery, but god preserved me in safty, blessed be his name, came home about 3 a clock found al wel

13 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt, wonderfully and a little in prayer alone with my wife, in family, blessed be my god

14 1t day god helped me wonderfully in praying, preaching on Luk 13. 6, church being a vineyard, blessed be god, he assisted, tho little time of preparation, grace is free.

15 2d day I stayd at home, had visitors, yet god helped in writing my book on 2 Joh. 8, and other excercises, I was glad of a free day at home, blessed be god

16 3d day I was most of the day at home, yet was much taken off my study by visitors, in afternoon went to the funeral of Anne Nunwick, studyed at night.

17 4th day we had our solemne monthly fast at Jer. Baxters,

* Query Root

god graciously helped Jon. Priestly, Mr Dawson and my self in the work, having had the day before the intelligence of the Parlts. prorogation till Nov. 11. 80, at night our young mens conference at my house.

18 5th day I stayd at home all day, studyed, writ on 2 Joh. 10, god suggested matter at evening, god helped my heart a little in prayer, blessed be god.

19 6th day I rode to Mr Whitehursts upon a call, where was a meeting of him and the dissenters, many tough arguings they had but no accommodation likely, Lord humble us for that heavy breach.

20 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god graciously assisted me in my studys, manifested his love in dutys of prayer with my wife, family.

21 1t day god helped me in my masters work in some measure, praying, preaching, repeating, blessed be the name of god.

22 2d day I stayd at home, studyed, god did graciously help in my masters work, blessed be my good god.

23 3d day in forenoon I studyed after dinner my wife and I visited Phoebe Lister, I discoursed, prayed with her, studyed at night.

24 4th day we had a solemne day of thanksgiving at Jon. Priestlys for his wives mercy, it was a sweet day, my heart was much melted, helped, blessed be god.

25 5th day I preacht at home, had a full congregation, god did sweetly assist in prayer, preached on 20 ch. 9. all to young people, blessed be god.

26 6th day we had the solemne day of fasting, praying, at my house preparatory to Lds. supper, god helpt me in praying, preaching, joyning with others, blessed be my god.

27 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt in prayer with my wife and A. M. but was hindred, straitned in secret.

28 1t day god graciously assisted in all the dutys of the day, blessed be his name, in praying, preaching, supper, &c.

29 2d day Mr. Dawson, J.K., and others with myself kept a day of solemne fasting and prayer at Tim Kersheys in Wyke, god helpt me to preach extempore from Psal. 119.158, blest be god.

30 3d day I stayd all day at home, studyed, god helped a little in my closet, inlarged my heart much in family prayer.

31 4th day we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer at Nathan Baxters, god helpt wonderfully in the closing of that year, at night I had my young mens conference, blessed be god for the yeares mercys.

January 1680

1 5th day god brought me to and through my lecture at Stubbings graciously I was much assisted on Pro 27. 1. had a very great assembly, he graciously begun the year in mercy.

2 6th day I stayd at home, cast up my years work, studyed, only went to see Robt Bairstow, discoursed, prayd with him, god helpt in family duty.

3 7th day forenoon I studyed, afternoon travelled to Alverthorp, lodged at Willm Wadsworths, it was a rugged day

4 Lords day god helped me in praying and preaching to a full assembly, made it a good day, repeated at night.

5 2d day I rid towards Morly, dined at Hague-hall, calld of Mr Marsden, had full discourse with him, lodged at Mr. Jo Brooksbanks, baptized Wil Clarks child, discoursed with J. C. &c.

6 3d day morning set out early rode to Idle, preacht in the chappell to a full assembly, lodged at Tho. Ledgards.

7 4th day Th. L. and I rode to Isaac Balmes in Boulin, there I preacht, god brought many together, tho it was a very windy day, assisted in some measure, blessed be my good god, there I lodged all night.

8 5th day rising early god sweetly assisted my heart in closet prayer, oh it was a Bethel in my journey homewards that day, came home, called of S. Baraclough, one of our Society, prayd with her, came home, found all wel blessed be my god.

9 6th day forenoon I stayd at home, studyed, afternoon my wife and I visited John Brooksbank and his wife, stayd till night, god helpt me in family prayer, but withdrew in my closet from my soul, Lord humble.

10 7th day I stayd at home, studyed and in the afternoon

prayed with my wife and A. H, god something assisted, yet I have not his wonted presence in private or secret.

11 1t day god helped my heart sweetly in his work praying, preaching, my Lord made it a good day in describing what fruits my Lord looks for, blessed be god.

12 2d day Mr Dawson, several others and I kept a day of solemne humiliation at John Kersheys in Wyke, god sweetly melted my heart, helpt me in discoursing extempore on Psal. 56. 8. oh wt. a good day, I prayd with Grace Butler, Jo Saltonstal &c.

13 3d day I rode to Bingly, preacht at Josh. Walkers at Rushworth-hal on Psal. 119. 158, had a ful assembly, god assisted, at night I set Josh. Walker, Mic. Broadly, Tho. Leech a praying, I concluded, it was a good evening, blessed be god.

14 4th day after prayers I called of Mtris farrand at Bingly, discoursed and prayed with one Joseph Hainwords wife being in soul trouble at John Hakins at Cottingly, calld of Joseph Lister, came home tho a stormy day.

15 5th day I stayd at home al day studyd not so profitably as I could have desired being distracted about the choyce of a text, at last pitcht, studyed, god assisted a little in prayer, blessed be god.

16 6th day we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer in my house on M. R. account, god sweetly melted my heart wn Mr Dawson was at prayer and wn. I shut up the day, blessed be god.

17 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god assisted in that work, and in prayer with my wife and servant, but I was not so inlarged in secret as at some other times, Lord humble.

18 1t day morning early I rode to Kipping preacht there, had a very numerous congregation, much assistance, god brought me home that night, found my wife very ill, Lord sanctify it.

19 2d day I rode to Halifax, attended the funeral of that gracious yong woman grace Bolton, Dr Hook preacht at funeral of Willm Jackman, Mr Berron of Sowrby-brig at her funeral.

20 3d day I continued at home, but was much hindred in my studys by my wives sicknes, visitors, the Docter, &c,

had much adoe at night with my bad heart in duty, oh pardon.

21 4th day I stayd at home all day with my sick wife, in afternoon Mr Dawson and I and 6 of my young men prayd in my house, god graciously helped, it was well spent time.

22 5th day the Lord carryed me abroad to Sowrby, I preacht at Stubbings, my god graciously assisted me, blessed be his name—it was a good day, brought me safely home, found my wife alive.

23 6th day I stayd at home, many visitors came to my wife, I was hindred, studyed little, was sent for to John Learoyd in a feaver, discourst, prayd with him, as the night before.

24 7th day I stayd at home studyed, but tho I was much distracted with my wives ilness and visitors god graciously helped me at night, melted my heart in secret prayer, blessed be god.

25 1t day we had our meeting at Willm Clays and were exceedingly throngd, yet god helped, graciously carryed us through my masters work, blessed be god.

26 2d day we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer for the nation at Willm Clays, many there, oh wt an heart-melting day was it, blessed be my gracious god.

27 3d day god a little inlarged and also incouraged my heart concerning my wife for her recovery, I visited John Learoyd, prayd with him, but was hindred in my studys by visitors.

28 4th day after parting with my wives brother I rode to Capt. Hodgsons where we kept a solemne day of fasting and prayer, god wonderfully helpt Mr Dawson and my heart for the nation, deo gratias.

29 5th day I stayd at home, god helpt me a little in prayer in the morning and at night in my study, I kept at home all day with my self, wife.

30 6th day I stayd at home, studyed, except that I visited John Learoyd, went to Alice Holts at Cockil, god made me of use.

31 7th day I stayd at home, god graciously helped in my study, though hindred by company, Joseph Lister helpt me in prayer, blessed be god.

february 16^{79}_{80}.

1 god helped my heart in prayer in preaching, at Will. Clays, made it a good day, and in repeating, let gods name have the glory of all.

2 2d day Mr Dawson, Mr. Holdsworth and I with many more kept a solemne fast at Willm Cordinglys, god helped my heart in praying, preaching.

3 3d day I preacht at John Butterworths in Warly, god graciously helped me in my work, blessed be his name.

4 4th day I studyed, rode to Mr Tho Wakefields, baptized his son Samuel, dined with them, returned, we should have had conference, but weather was bad, and there came but 2.

5 5th day I stayd at home all day, and tho I could not study so much as I desired, yet god assisted sweetly in prayer alone twice that day, blessed be god.

6 6th day we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer preparatory to Lords supper, it was a good day, god helped my heart sweetly in duty, and in preaching, blessed be god.

7 7th day I studyed all forenoon and part of afternoon on my text Luke 13, but was not satisfied, changed at 3 a clock to Heb. 7. 25, god helpt.

8 1t day I was much helped in my publick work at Will. Clays, and in administration of Lords supper, blessed be my good god.

9 2d day I went to visit my son Eliezer fallen sick of an ague at Mtris Cottons and brought me safely thither through dirty way at 2 a clock, I found him better, lodged with him at night.

10 3d day after dinner I returned home, found my poor wife much pained, Lord sanctify it to us all.

11 4th day I rode to Dean-head, preacht at John Robinsons to a full assembly, god wonderfully helpt especially in prayer for the conversion of some soul, and preaching on 2 cor. 10. 5, I returned home.

12 5th day I stayd at home, writ some meditations, god comforted my heart in my wives recovery, helpt my heart in inlargemt in thankfulnes at night, blessed be my good god.

13 6th day through the good hand of my god upon me I was

helped in my studys and a little in prayer, tho alas it doth not long continue, god knows.

14 7th day I kept at home, studyed tho often distracted, taken off, god helpt me in prayer with my wife, blessed be god, and in preparation for sabbath.

15 1t god brought me again into my own house after a secession to W. Clays, by reason of my wiues affliction, helped me to speak to a full assembly.

16 2d day I writ letter, studyed a little read in Mech. Adam de Pitis Theol. gor. and then went to Halifax to the funeral of Ester Hoyle.

17 3d day I begun hopefully for Mr Sharp, his brother, wife, came to visit us and I discoursed with them, walkt to Jon. Priestlys, returned.

18 4th day I stayd at home studyed went after dinner to Mr Dawsons on occasion, came suddenly back, set to my study, god helpt, blessd be god.

19 5th day I rode to Sourby, preacht there my lecture, god wonderfully helpt in prayer, calld in Halifax, visited some in my return, found all well.

20 6th day I stayd at home, studyed, god helped, in afternoon god sweetly inlarged my heart in prayer with my wife, blessed be my good god

21 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, but was hindred by men, helped by god, god helped my wife and me to spend some time in prayer, it was the first time she prayd with me since sick, oh wt a sensible spirit had she !

22 1t day, god helped me in my work at home in closing Heb. 7. 25 oh how graciously did god assist in praying, preaching, gloria deo.

23 2d day I stayd at home all day, studyed my sermon, god graciously helped, I had his presence in secret, family in some measure, blessed be god.

24 3d day I stayd at home, preacht to a considerable congregation on Joel 2. 14. about a fast, god wonderfully helpt me in prayer and preaching, blessed be his name, at night we had conference.

25 4th day I studyed a sermon in the forenoon, afternoon I rode to Denby to Mtris Cottons, lodged there all night.

26 5th day preacht the excercise there with Mr Naylor, god graciously helpt us.

27 | 6th day I stayd at Mr Cottons in forenoon, afternoon rode with Mr Key to Wakefield, called at Mr Roots, lodged at James Dicksons

29 | Lords day went to Alverthorp, preacht there, dined at John Kirks, god helpt, returned to Wakefield, repeated.

March 1680.

1 | 2d day I came to Wyke where many people were gathered together, my son John, Mr Dawson, Mr Holdsworth prayd, I prayd, preacht John Saltonstal funeral Sermon on Job., 8. 14, god helpt, so I came home.

2 | 3d day Mr Dawson and I rode to Hightown, where Mr. Holdsworth and many others of us kept a solemne day of fasting and prayer at James Cordinglys, god helpt me in preaching extempore on Zech. 12. 10, and prayer, blessed be god, deo laus.

3 | 4th day I stayd at home all day studyed, the Lord sweetly drew out my heart in prayer in family, closet, I writ Mr Kerbys notes, had some help.

4 | 5th day I studyed my sermon, had some gracious assistance therin, tho I had not that presence of god as sometimes, Lord humble, pardon thy servant.

5 | 6th day we had a solemne day of thanksgiving at my house for my wives and sons recovery, my son Eliezer begun, Mr Dawson, John proceeded, I concluded with preaching, prayer, we feasted 50 persons and upwards, blessed be god.

6 | 7th day I stayd at home had hinderances in my study by visitors, yet god helpt, blessed be his name, oh for an heart to be sensibly prepared for god.

7 | 1t day god helpt me graciously to pray and preach in mine own house about vows, ps. 65. 1. it was a good day my son John preacht at night, Eliezer prayd in the family very sweetly.

8 | 2d day I stayd at home studyed, god helpt upon a text Mat. 3. 2. yet was interrupted by company, at night would have prayed, struggled with my heart, but it would not doe, Mr. Jolly came to us.

9 | 3d day Mr Jolly preacht at my house, god wonderfully helpt him, blessed be god, about 4 a clock Mr Dawson and I set forward towards Wakefield, lodged at Mr Josiah Oates.

10 4th day in the morning we rode to Wakefield, had a solemne meeting of fasting and prayer at Mr Roots for Mr. Wharton ; Mr Hawden, Mr Dawson, Mr Root and I prayed, oh wt a good day was it, oh may be god will hear, we lodged at W. Heawards.

11 5th day in morning I writ a letter to Westmorland, visited Mtris Malyverer, Sam. Liversidg wife, &c, dined at Mr Howards, came home together, calld at Mr Holdworths, found all things well at my home.

12 6th day Mr Dawson and I rode to Lidiat, Mr Whitehursts meeting place, where Mr Jolly preacht out his text he begun at my house, god helped him very graciously, we had some discourse after, called at John Midgleys, came home

13 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god helped, and god ordered my heart for a change of the text I thought to put on to another I hope for the better, at least for that season

14 1t day the Lord came in to my spirit in prayer, preaching, made it a good day, blessed be god.

15 2d day we had a solemne and through mercy a sweet day of fasting and prayer at Willm Naylours, god helped me in speaking from a Scripture and prayer, blessed be my god.

16 3d day I stayd at home all day, and writ meditations, god helpt, blessed be my good god.

17 4th day god helped me in my study for my sermon, but withdrew from my heart in secret prayer, tho he helpt me in my family, grace is free.

18 5th day I rode to Sowrby, preacht a sermon I had not studyed, tho I had studyed another, god wonderfully helpt extempore, blessed be my god.

19 6th day we had a solemne fast preparatory to Lords Supper, god helpt my son Eliezer, John, Mr Dawson, in praying and preaching, graciously, blessed be god.

20 7th day god did mercifully assist me in my study, in the afternoon he helpt my two sons and me to spend some time in prayer, oh wt a spirit of prayer was poured on them, especially my son John, and teares.

21 1t day I was helped in all the solemne ordinances of the day, expounding, praying, preaching, administring the

holy supper, god was near to me and helped my son John at night, blessed be god.

22 2d day forenoon I studyed god helpt, in the afternoon 7 of us spent severall hours in prayer, oh it was an heart-melting season, my two sons prayed with abundance of affection, many teares, W. Naylor, Sam. Nickol, Ab. Dawson, John Waterhous, and god helped me in concluding with much tendernes, blessed be my gracious god.

23 3d day I rode to Bingly, baptized Jonas Hainworth son Jonas, called on, prayed with Mtris farrand, who dyed next morning, preacht to a full assembly at Tho. Leeches on Job 14, 13, lodged at night.

24 4th day I got up early called at Rushworth-hall, came home, rode down to Mr Dawsons where we had a solemne fast, god helpt graciously.

25 5th day I stayd at home, studyed, writ Mr. K. notes, god helpt in prayer towards evening, blessed be god

26 6th day I stayd at home, studyed close all day, god helpt my heart both in my closet and family-prayer especially in thankfulnes

27 7th day I was helpt in my study, in prayer with my wife, tho I had not gods presence alone as sometimes.

28 1t day in morning in secret early god sweetly warmed my heart, also helpt me in the ordinances of the day, blessed be his name.

29 2d day in forenoon I stayd at home, afternoon my wife and I rode to Halifax about busines, I dispatcht busines, made visits, prayd with Eliz. Burch, &c.

30 3d day forenoon I stayd at home and studyed, afternoon rode 3 or 4 miles to visit Mary dickinson, Martha Brig, &c, prayd with them, returned, had mercy.

31 4th day I stayd at home, studyed, god helpt, that morning was our yonng mens conference—Qu. about suffring for cht, wt hindrances, incouragemts.

April 1680

1 5th day I stayd at home and studyed, god helpt, finisht Mr. K. sermons, god helpt in prayer in afternoon.

2 6th day forenoon I studyed, god helpt afternoon, I, my son, wife, rode to Mr Hodgsons at Cromwel-bottom, discoursed, prayd with them, returned, called at Jo. Wrights

3 7th day I stayd at home was somewhat confused in my studys in forenoon, god helpt in latter part of the day, and in prayer with my wife, blessed be god.

4 1t day god assisted me in my work in praying, preaching, upon Job 15. 16, and at night my son John in preaching

5 2d day my son and I rode to Joseph Hollins at Liversidghal, where Mr Dawson, Mr Holdsworth, my son John and I spent the day in prayer with many others. I was also helpt to discourse on Psal. 22. 9, suitable to the occasion, blessed be god

6 5th day we had a solemn day of fasting and prayer at Antony Leas, oh how god helpt my son John and Mr Dawson, and me in discoursing extempore on 2 Cor. 4. 16. and prayer.

7 4th day Mr Dawson, and I rode to John firths in Wheatly there we had a private fast and god wonderfully helpt in a considerable company, blessed be god.

8 5th day I stayd at home all day, studyed, god helped, visited, discoursed with Jer. Baxter, A. Northend, had visitors, god helpt in prayer blessed be god.

9 6th day forenoon I stayd at home, studyed, after dinner rode to Ratchdal, god graciously saved me in a fall from hurt, I lodged at Jo. Haslams, found mercy.

10 7th day forenoon I spent with Mr Radcliffe Scolfield, about settling my worldly estate, afternoon rode to little Leaver, lodged with sister Ester.

11 1t day preached at Cockey chappel to a very great assembly, god helpt, upon Luk. 13. 7. blessed be god.

12 2d day after worldly busines done I rode to Bolton dined at Brother Okeys, heard Mr Hough preach the lecture on Mat. 16. 26. converst with him and other ministers, preacht at night at Br. Okeys, to a full assembly.

13 3d day in the morning I rode to Widow Tongs, Mr Tho. Jolly and I joyned, his subject was Joh. 27. 16, mine Eph. 3. 20, god wonderfully helpt, it was a full assembly that night I lodged, preacht. at A. Fernisides

14 4th day I preacht at cozen Will Whitehead, bap. his child Elizab. it was a full assembly, god helpt on Job. 29. 4, that day we had a marriag of Coz. M. Whitehead.

15 5th day in the morning I dispatcht worldly busines at Sister Whiteheads uncle to Heywoods dined at brother

Colburns of Ratcliff bridg rode to Blakely chappel, preacht that afternoon at Sam Pendleburys on Heb. 7. 25. god helpt, rode to Manchester lodged at B. Hultons

16 6th day morning brother Hulton and I went to Mr Radcliffs, Mr Listers, Cozen Eatons, dispatcht busines, I dined at Mr. Hallows at Ratchdal, converst with Mr Scolfield, C. Wadsworth, came home, found all well, blessed be god.

17 7th day I stayd at home, studyd, god helpt in studying-work, but little in praying-work, Lord humble.

18 1t day I preacht upon Luk. 17. 34, god wonderfully inlarged my heart in the former part of the day, blessed be his name.

19 2d day I stayd at home, studyd, god graciously helpt me and my wife both spent some time in prayer, blest be god

20 3d day I studyed in the forenoon, in afternoon we had a meeting for prayer at Tho. Gills, after I rode to Halifax, visited John Milner, came back.

21 4th day I stayd at home, only visited Jer. Baxters, I studyed god helped in prayer, family, closet, laus deo.

22 5th day I rode to Sowrby, preacht my lecture at Sam Hopkinsons, took leave at that house by recapitulation, god helpt on Job 33. 1.

23 6th day we had a solemne day of fasting and prayer at my house upon G. B. account, it was a sweet day, blessed be god.

24 7th day forenoon I studyd, afternoon rode to Alverthorp, lodged at John Kirks, god was with me.

25 1t day I preached at Alverthorp, to a very full congregation, at night I rode to Morley with W. Clark, I lodged at Mr J. Brooksbanks.

26 2d day some company visited me, stayd on till 11 a clock, then rode to Capt Hodgsons where was a private fast, I preacht a catechizing word on Gen. 13. 14., god helpt, so got safe home, blessed be my good god.

27 3d day I rode to John Butterworths in Warley, preacht there to a full assembly, god graciously assisted on gods alsufficiency Exod. 6. 3. blessed be god, returned in safety.

28 4th day morning I rode to John Armitages, preacht there on Heb. 7. 25, god graciously melted my heart, lodged at Mr. Lockwoods.

29 | 5th day early god helpt in prayer in my chamber, I rode home in the forenoon, studyed after.

30 | 6th day we had a solemne fast at my house preparatory to Sabbath days ordinances, god helpt in praying, preaching.

May 1680.

1 | 7th day I stayd at home, studyed, god suggested matter to my meditations, helped my son John and me in prayer with Mtris Bagnal and my wife, blessed be god

2 | 1t day tho I had but little time yet my god furnisht me with much matter for preaching, assisted graciously in all the ordinances of the day, blessed be god.

3 | 2d day I stayd at home, studyed, except upon a call I visited Rachel Boocock that was sick of the Emrods, prayd, discoursed with her, god helpt.

4 | 3d day forenoon I studyed, afternoon my wife, son and I rode to Morley, called at D. Walkers, were brought safely thither where god helped at Mr Brooksbanks.

5 | 4th day Mr Dawson and I preacht an exercise to a very great assembly, god graciously assisted me on Phi. 1, 21, made it a good day.

6 | 5th day god helped at Morley in conference, prayer in forenoon at —— a good work there, afternoon came safely home, blessed be god.

7 | 6th day I writ part of a letter, went to Ovenden where we had a solemne fast, Mr Dawson, Joseph Lister, ———, and I prayed, I preacht extempore ———————— god wonderfully helpt.

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Mr. Heywood's Vellum Book.

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BAPTISMS.

1 to 4—all 4 baptized togather June 12. 1682 [see p. 32.*]
28 168¾ Feb 21. Benjamin son of T Reiner of Hekmondwike *a youth of 20 y.* old. [page 33]
34 John Bury of *Shuckten* Head
36 Sarah d. Antony Lea of High bentley baptized *there*
41. Jan 5. 1685 Ruth Wakefield

long intermission

After Dec. 1687, [on page 34,]

Baptized 22 children this year

71 Lidia Learoyd Aug 19. 1688. the first child that was openly baptized in my new meeting-place
72. April 2-1688. Susanna Hall
75. Grace Oates—*Wyke*
86. John Rushworth *junr.*
87 Daniel Longbotham *in my chappel.*
After Nov 1689 [on page 35]—

'21 this y'[ear]

108-Mary Wood *in my chappel.*
143 Susannah,—*Blakbrough* Mch 16. 1691.
173 *June* not Jan Martha Tetley. [p. 37]
176 Jonas Naylor *bap in Howarth parish* [p. 37.]
204 Joseph Wood *our clark.*, twins. [p. 38]
Correct 1 to 213, to Dec. 28, 1694.

MARRIAGES.

1 Wm Clay of *Northourum* married Mary Wilson, his servant at C. by Mr Hovy., preacher there [p. 41.]
2 Jas Holstead of Warley and Anne Bolton of the same towne were marryed at Sowerby by Mr Berron minister of Sowrby brigge feb. 6⅞
3. Mr Joh Mitchel of Halifax & Mary *Wilton* of Slede Sych in Lightliff marryed at Ealand Mch 28. 1678. she being but 15 yr of age. [p. 42]

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* Northowram Register.

5 Nath Holden his wife delivered of a daughter Jan 15. 7^{8}_{9}.
6) Benjamin Butterworth of Warley married Martha Brigge of Heckenwyke Ap. 22 1678 at H.
7) married at Halifax : Tho Holdsworth.
8 Ralph Higson *a naylour in* Halifax and Judith Swift. She had 6 ehildren, he one, buryed his wife half a year before, marryed privately I know not where, but kept it close 3 weekes.
9. Mr Joh Milner, *hath 800 li with her.*
10 old Michael Booth of Common House, *innkeeper.*
11 Robt Smith *Junr.*
12 Joh Hartly (*Tho Bently's man,*) Graee Brook—*she was John Stevensons maid-servant.*
13 Joshua Owen (*servant to Widow Hanson*) & Sarah Mitchell of Common House
14. Nathl Bottomley's dr. of *Cawthurn.*
Sir Robert D. Lady dying of ehild-bed the same week he (col. D): was sent for from the wedding home to the funerall. she was his servant.
15 Joh son of Joh Brown of *Kesper in Darton Parish* & dr. Mr Henry Swift *minister at* Peniston. *Her father and mother were agt it. would not be at marriage, made them a dinner.*
16. Mr Kirk married at *Kirkburton, Dr Briary did marry them.*
17 Mr Abm Langley (*Mr Rich Langley's son of Priestley Green* married *Grace dr. Joshua Whitley of Soud house privately at Coley chappel* Sep 25-1678. Mr Hovy marryed them
18. Mr Shuttleworth Clithero, marryed Mrs Sunderland (Mr Peter Sunds wife) at Leeds. She hath cast herself away on a young man of 24. &c
21 Mr Joh. Priestly of York &e., at Bradf. [p. 42]
23 Joh. Newby of Spend in Burstall [p. 43.]
Grace d. of Joh Cordingley, marryed at Halif.
25 Mr Rich Briars of Leeds & Sarah dr Christr Marshall.
26 Mr Hough parson of Thornton & Mrs Bently of Hx. marr at Illingworth chappel.
28 Mr Holt, of Castleton *near Ratchdal: a great solemnity*
29 Mr Joshua Horton *junr.* & Mtris *Gregs* dr.
30 Martha Woodhead living at Jonas Northens in North. mar. at Halifax

33 Micael Best of Shelf=Mtris Laurence (Mtris Whitlys daughter) whose husband is said to be alive.
34 at Hx. Mr Bramley.
35 Wm Naylor of *Blakehill*=Denton of Holdworth. at Hx.
37 Saml Halidy of Healy hill=Lidia dr Rich Hoyls dr of godly without her fathers consent at Bramley May 17, 1679, being Saturday by Mr Hindle.
38 at Illingworth chappel June 5, 1679 by Dr Hook.
39 Wm Fenton (Mr. Sales servant), Sarah Chipping (*Nath Holden's servant*) at Cawverly June 10, 1679.
40 Saml Nickol lives in Halifax.
41 Joh Brooksbank *of Shelf.*
41.—Clarkson *of Bradford*
42 dr. Rich. *Ask.*
43 Anth. Lea of Highbently
44 Tim Crowther of Lane Ends, May Crossley of Ripponden
45 Tim Paulard, Southowm. Grace Whittaker of Range.
46 Mr Edwd Langley son Mr. Richd Langly of Priestly & Mary d. Mr. S. Ellis at Coley Chappel by Mr Hook [p. 43]
47 Thos son *Rich Reiner of Milne Brig* Phoebe dr. Rich. Hoyle of godly at Illingworth [p. 44.]
48 Jas Oates of Wyke (Tho Oates son of Norwood Green) at Hx.
49 Mr Gilbt. Brooksbank of Ealand mar. Sarah d. Joh Brearcliff of Hx.
52 Eliz. Smith (her [Graces'] sister).
54 Saml Holdworth of Barnshill & Alice Mellen marr at Ardsley, about 34 years of age
55 Mr Jas Oates of Landshead & Mrs Susanna Murgatroyd dr to Mtris Dean.
58 Elizth dr Wm Wadsworth of flanset lane near Wakefield
59 Cozen Ester Heywood
marr. by Mr Smith Lect. at Bolton
60 James greaves (Mr Clays Man) & Susanna dr Thos Townend marr. at Illingworth
62 Jonn Crowther, at *Coley Chappel.*
63 dr Mr *Jonas* Waterhouse.
64 Nattl Longbothom of Damhead & Jas Greenwood's dr of Warley.
66 Joh son Joshua Donne & Martha dr Mtris furnasse of Ovenden at Coley Chappel, lodged at Mr Oates first night

67 Joh Rhodes of Little Horton, mar. at Woodkirk, to live at Haguehall

69 Edward Paulard of Skircote & Martha dr. Thos *Carvel* (? Garnet) of Hx.

70 Mr Sotwel of Cathill in Peniston & widow Greaves of Smawshaw July 1681

71 Mr Townly, Hurst near Burnley, & Mtris. Elenor Brook, Newhouse, in Huthersfield.

72 Alvery Gibson living at Tho Bentlys.
she delivered Nov 21. 1681.

73 Joh Oates living at Atherisgate & Widow Duckworth, dr to Sam Wilson, Sep, 1681, agt her father's mind.

74 Joseph *son Thos. Priestley of* Holdworth.
5 marriages at Halifax, Oct. 4.

77 Dorothy dr. Jonas Northen of Nowm. at Wibsey

78 Thos Naylor of Hickmondwike, & Adding d. Tho Holdworth of Alverthorp

79 Mr Richd Thorp of Hopton hall in Mirfield prh. at Ealand.

80 Rich Cook of Hx.

81 Mr Josiah Oates of Chickenly & Hanna Fenton of Hunslct [p 44.]

84 Willm Pogson near Slaugwait that buryed his first wife about Chtmas (as they call it) marryed May 12. 1682

85 Wm Ellis & Lydia dr John Worrel of Hx. [p. 45]

87 Sarah Northend (Anne Northend's dr) they are to live in Wakefield.

88 My Aunt Joan Heywood was marryed to —— in Dean Parish April 28. 1682.

89 Peter Rothwel and Cozen Mary Heywood were marryed May 4. 1682.

90 G. Dolliffe dyer, brought her home to Swan in Halifax Aug 22 1682. marryed a fortnight before

91 Mr Starky of Huntroid stole away Mr. Hutton of Parks dr Sept 1682, a rant.

93 Mr Samuel furnasse, of Ovenden & Jane d Joh Brearcliff of Halifax, at Illingworth, suddenly

94 Jonathan Kighley of Halifax, Widow Wilson, dr to Jo. Woral in Halifax at Ripponden

95 Jonathan firth that was prentes at Dinah Tetleys

96 Cozen Samuel Eaton

97 Mr Joh Pickerings daughter of Tingley

98 Mary Park that came out of Craven from Burnley, Nov. 30. 1682, at Halifax.
99 Joh Wadsworth of Wakefield
100 Twin Kerby, *both there,* Dec. *6* 1682.
103 Mtrs Ruth farrand *of Manchester.*
104 Stephen Hall of Southowrum, live in Warly
105 Jeremiah Brooksbank of Oxheys, junr, & Wid. Holroyd's dr. of Ripponden
106 George Bottomley of overbriar, J. Nolson's dr of Medley.
107 Mr Robt Gleadhil of Horbury and Mrs Marsden of Ardsley
108 Richard Barraba (Mr Joseph Hall's man) marryed at Halifax Sept 14. 1683, came that night to J. Stephensons in Ourum.
109 Andrew Watson of Northow & the widow of James Paulard, aged persons
110 Samuel Bradly of Batly & Deborah Hodgson of Boulin
111 Mr John Smiths son of Barker end near Bradford & dr. of Mr Richard Harrison of Wakefield, Oct 16 1683.
113 Phaybian Richmond of Sourby marryed Sarah Hague (servant to Jer. Stansfield) Nov. 8. 1683 at Halifax.
114 Mr Joh Brooksbank of Ealand mar. at Woodkirk
115 James Smith of Farsely marryed — Nawthrup of Cunningly on Nov. 30. 1683 at Calverly having been widower a year and a day.
116 Benjamin Nickolson of Warly
117 John Mitchel (widows son of Crosse in Halifax that hath marryed Micael Wainhouse) stole away—dr of Abraham Walker, marryed her, feb. 16. $168\frac{3}{4}$, she but 15 years old.
118 Joseph Wood (Jeremiah Wood's son) marr. Susannah dr. of —— tuesday Apr. 1. 1684.
119 Mr. Tim. Smith *son* of Leeds, mar. at York Jan 1. $168\frac{3}{4}$, [p. 45]
121 John Hanson of Rhodes Hall and Mary, Joshua Walker's daughter of Bingley May 29. 1684. [p. 46]
123 John Normanton (Tim's son of Sowrby) marryed—Oct 27. 84.
125 Sarah Rushworth of Coley
126 Richard Scarborough of Halifax

A long interval was made in my observation while I was in York Castle 1685

127 Joshua Wright of Hipperholm & Hannah Walker of Liversidg hal, at Coly chappel, living at Hipperholm

128 Joh Milnes marryed Margaret—at Coley chappel Nov. 22 1686. live at J.N. in Northourum.

129—Wood of Burstall, marr. there Feb. 15. $168\frac{6}{7}$.

130 Mr Hanson lecturer at Halifax (Tho. Hanson's son of Backhouse)

131 Joseph Haliday born in Morley & Eliz. dr of Jeremiah Baxter of Northourum at Coley chappel April 6. 1687

132 Joh Hodgson, Halifax & Joh Blackets widow ap 9, 1687, at Halifax.

133 Daniel Tempest of Landimer, servant, mar. at Hx. poor folke.

134. Henry Naylor and Martha Greenwood mar. at Sowrby Apr. 26. 1687.

135 *Joseph* Hodgson of Biarly & —Reiner at Bradford June 16. 1687

135 Jonathan Priestly junr of Winteredge & Mary Chadwick of Ratchdal parish June 15. 1687.

136 Thomas Hodgson of Little Horton (Andrew H. son) married Grace — July 18, 1687.

137 Mr Rookes of Rhodes hall, who had married his own cozen, was buryed Apr. 26. [that is, his 1st wife.] marryed Mr Cooks daughter, who &c.

138 My cozen James Okey

140 John Crowther : brought home his wife Jan. 1 1688.

141 Whitchurch near Leeds. feb. $168\frac{8}{9}$.

142 John Oldfield, to live at Mr Dawson's house at Damhead.

143 Joh Craven (apprentice at Jer Baxters.)

144 Ms Jane fournesse of Ovenden, at Hedingly.

145 Samuel son of Joh Appleyard of Shelf & Martha dr Joseph Hollins deceased. (her mother James Sagars daughter marryed Mr Golkroger) at Idle July 21. 1689.

146. Joseph s. James Brooksbank, and Sarah d. Widow Naylor of Wakefield

147 Joshua son of Joshua Sonier & Grace d. Joshua Hodgson of Hagstocks, at Halifax.

148 James son of Joh Harrison of Wakefield & Mary d. Mr Peter Naylor of Alverthorp

149 Mr Wm Corlesse & Dorothy d. Mr Bryan Dixon of Hunslet-lane by Leeds on thursday feb. 6. 1689-90.
150 Mr John Hatfield of Hatfield marryed Ms Mary daughter of Mr Mathew Hallows at Ratchdal April 3, 1690.
151. Mr John Lister, April *15.*
152 — Thornton prentice at Mic. Ramsdens at Lands-head and Susanna d. John Rushworth of Coley, at Halifax Apr. 28, 1690. [p. 46]
153 Joshua s. Roger Stocks & Mercy Tetley (Will. Clays maid) April 29. 1690. [p. 47]
154 Mr Joseph Wadsworth of flanshaw & Ms Crook of Wakefield marryed at Bramhup on Saturday May 10. 1690. She a widow with 3 children
155 Mr Nicholas Kershaw preacher in Craven & Anne daughter of John Wilkinson of Houghton in Craven May 20. 1690 in Mixenden.
156 Mr Jeremiah Bently of Halifax and Elizabeth d. of Henry Grime, live at Moolter hall. [Mulcture Hall]
157 Thomas Farrand of Bradford and Judith Scarborough marryed at my meeting-place, Aug 25. 1690.
158 Mr John Crompton of Brakmit in Lanc. marryed my sister Elizab. Colborn of Ratcliff bridg Sept 1. 1690.
159 Jonathan Rig of Sowrby and Hannah Tetley of Warly at Halifax.
160 John Learoyd of Northourum; at Leeds.
162 Charles Best of Landimer: at Halifax
163 Japhet Hield: by Mr E. at T.: live at Horbury
164 John Stansfield of Sourby and Hannah Bath of Ratchdal.
165 David Dean of Ealand (Mr Brooksbank's man) and James Butterworth's widow of Bank Top.
166 Elizabeth Gleadal *a widow in Norland,* at Ealand.
167 Mr Jo. Holroyd (called Squire H) and Jonathan Kighley's widow, Jan. 14 169^{0}_{1}
168 John Walker of Luddenden and Judith d. of Abraham foster.
170 Antony Naylor of Warley and Jane d. James Baumford of Ratchdal at my chappel Dec. 16. 1691.
171 Nathan Heywood; *both of farnely.*
172 Dr Coulton of York
173 Ms Middlebrough of Bramley.
174 Mary d. John Broadly of Halifax.

176 Timothy Booth of Westercroft and — Hemingway, servant to Mr. Hield.
177 John Kellet of Northfield yat.
178 Judith Bolton of Warly. live at Heaton in Burstall parish.
181—Wright: marryed by Mr Hepworth vicar of Burstall, Dec. 16. '92.
182 Mr Hield marryed Ms Elizabeth Hough, April 18, 1693. living at Soud house, he is schoolmaster at Hipperholm.
183 —— marryed widow of Richard Appleyard, our neighbour, Apr. 17. 1693. to live in Lightleff.
184 Martha d. Roger Stocks. [p. 47.]
185 Richard Scarborough of Halifax: June 1. 1693. [p. 48]
186 John Ramsden's daughter, of Southourum.
187 *at* Roiston
190 Bathshua d. of Mtrs. Holdworth of Heckmondwike
191 Ester Moor of Ovenden
192 Mr Mathew Smith: marryed at Sourby.
193 Mary Slater (grand child to Edward Slater of Shelf.)
195 Joseph Northen: live at Tanhouse.
195* Sarah Day of Westercroft, at Halifax, live near Soud house
196 John Priestly of Westercroft and Mary Swift of Halifax. *Aug.* 16. 1694.
197 Thomas Hodgson of Bradford and Abigail Priestly of Westercroft, at Coley
198 Thomas Priestly of Holdworth and daughter of Willm. Kitchinman of Skircot at Ill. Oct. 8. 1694.
199 My son John Heywood at Darton Church
202 Timothy Vicars of Halifax at Moorfield [Mirfield.]
203 Joseph Hepworth servant to John Ferrar of Warley marryed—Buckly, Nov. 1. 1694.
204 Richard Kighly marryed Anne — Nov. 15. 1694
205 James Tetley and Widow Hurd of Batley, Jan. 1. $9\frac{4}{5}$
206 Mary daughter of Mr John Brooksbank of Ealand, feb. 14. $169\frac{4}{5}$, went to his [Mr Nathl Robinson's] house at Gainsborow feb. 15. $9\frac{4}{5}$.
207 Dr. Prescot of Halifax, at Kighly, May 7.
208 Mr Wheatly of Skipton and Ms Smith (Jo. Smith's widow that dyed in Y. Castle,) both marryed on a day viz. May 7. 1695 agt relations mind.

209 Mr Samuel Lister and *Grace* dr. Thomas Priestly of Halifax [p. 48.]
212. Ebenezer *Hulms* and Zipporah Boocock. [p. 49]

BURIALS.

Nos. 1 to 43 are wanting in the Vel. Book, probably torn out.
44. Micael Broadly of Hoyle *near Coley chap., aged 60* [p. 54.]
45 Elizabeth Crowther of Northourum green.
46 William *Watkin* of fold buryed feb. 18. $167\frac{6}{7}$ aged 66. [p. 54.]
47 Richard Scolcroft (*my tenant*) [p. 55]
50 Mtris Labern : left legacys to Mr Kay, Mr. M—.
51 Mr Holt : left a vast estate.
53 Alderman Briary, a rich man, Sept. 1675, aged 64.
54 Mr Lionel Copley Dec. 4. 1674.
56 Susanna Midgley bur. at Sowrby, 1678.
57 Grace Gawkroger bur. Apr 2. 1678, wanting one of a 100. [p. 55.]
59 An old mans corpse carryed to be buryed at Kildwick, wch we met on the road, March 27, 1678.
63 An Aldermans wife was also buryed the day I was there [Leaverpool,] wh. was April 15. 1678: another alderman the week before, all ancient.
64 Henry Burkehead of Lightliff dyed Apr. 15, buryed at Halifax Wednesday April 17. 1678, aged 70. [p 56]
69 — Emmat, buryed on Easter tuesday, April 2, 1678, aged 100, some say 120.
70 Another very old woman buryed at Bingley April 21, 1678, her age not well known.
71 Mr. Glendall, Non-conformist.
72 Grace Philip, [sister] to old Mr. Wilton, No. 61, living near Wibsey, dyed Apr. 19, buryed at Bradford Apr. 22. 1678.
73 John Bottomley of Deaf Mill was wel on Sabbath day, dyed on thursday morning May 2, 1678, buryed at Halifax on Saturday May 4, aged 63.
74 Mary fletcher, widow, aged 66, lame and diseased 4 years, i.e. from the time of her husbands death.
76 James and Edward Turner, being twins, buryed May 11, 1678 being aged 60. [Margin reads 'not twins, but brothers very like'.]

77 Mtris Hall, 1678, had done much in her day.
79 Alexander Kershaw, *had got a great estate.* [p. 57.]
81 Mr. William Barton, May, 1678.
82 Daniel Mitchel, buryed at Halifax July 19, 1678, had been decaying.
83 Wm. Sanderson, on Thursday night July 18, 1678 fell sick of cholick, dyed, was buryed on munday there [York], a rich man, left, two children, aged 60—never to return—
84 Anne Beck, buryed at Leeds new church.
85 Mr Thomas Brooks, an eminent man, hath written many books
86 Collonel Birch, had been an active man in the wars, but was deaf and in dotage some yeares. [p. 57.]
87 James Smith : his sister an ancient woman buryed at Halif. the day before. [p. 58.]
88 Robert Robinson an ancient christian, one of my father Angiers hearers,, dyed Aug. 21, 1678, aged about 76.
90 Elizabeth Pierson, wife last to Richard Barber, having lived in good fashion, dyed in misery
91 Ellis Bury, my good old friend, dyed of a dropsy, had been of great use when living at Bramley.
93 Mary Burkhead, *a widow*, dyed Nov. 1, 1678, aged about 50.
99 Mr Bezaleel Angier (my father Angiers youngest brother) living at Dedham, a godly man, dyed about a year after his brother, Oct 30, buryed there Nov. 1. 1678, aged 66.
100 John Reddihough was found dead in his bed, or very suddenly snatcht away Nov. 1678, being about 70, an ancient professor, a friend to my brother.
103 Anne Hepworth, widow.
104 Mary Denton, a gracious zealous chtian, under a tedious infirmity, being blind also, buryed at Halifax Jan. 16. $167\frac{8}{9}$ aged 72. [p. 58]
108 Mtris Sharp dyed Jan. 30. $167\frac{8}{9}$. [p. 59.]
110 Mr George dyed Jan. $167\frac{8}{9}$.

[Parliament] dissolved Jan. 25. $167\frac{8}{9}$ having sitten 17 yeares.
111 Edward Brigs dyed Dec. 4, 1678, aged about 64.
112 Phœbe Paulard dyed feb. 14, buryed at Halifax feb. 15. $167\frac{8}{9}$, aged 59.
113 John West, having lyen about a year.

114 Martha Holdsworth, widow, dyed at Jeremiah Brooksbanks, Oxheys, buryed at Halifax feb. 22, 167^{8}_{9}.

115 Mr Durant pastour of the church at Sheffield, after long sicknes

117 Mr Whitehead, near Lanc [aster], dyed feb. 167^{8}_{9}.

118 Mary wife of Will. Kindsly of little Leaver, widow, dyed feb. 167^{8}_{9} being 80 yeares of age.

121 Major Taylour (with whom my son Eli. lives) dyed of 14 days sicknes, a very useful man.

122 Mr Joshua Earnshaw of Hulm, near Hulmfirth, an ancient yeaman of good repute.

123 Mr Joshua Horton, my good friend, formerly Justice of Peace.

125 Mr James Saile : struck with a third fit Apr. 15, dyed Apr. 17, buryed at Caverly, a worthy choyce minister. [p. 59.]

126 Mr Thomas Calvert, an admirable schollar, solid preacher, pious man, hath been of great use. [p. 50.]

127 Mtris Spawford dyed at John Hulmes that marryed her daughter Apr. 1679, aged 94, in dotage.

129 Brian Bentley poet of Halifax, buryed June 9, 1679, aged 64, a witty man, wel descended, but —

130 James Milne near Ratchdal a good man, dyed July 1. 1679 of a fortnights sicknes.

132 John Moor-house near Lidiat, languished several moneths, dyed June, 1679, aged 76.

133 Abraham Holt of Cockel, buryed at Halifax Aug 23, '79, aged 70, about 2 moneths languishing.

134 Mtris Crook, funerals celebrated on munday [Aug 25], buryed privately, she could not be kept, being fat, bruised by a fall

135 Robert Turner, a member at Denton, an eminent Christian, dyed Aug. 26. 1679, aged 76.

136 Robert Collier dyed Aug 28. 1679, a choyce Christian, aged 86 : these two were my father Angiers Elders, are got to their good pastour.

137 John Burkhead of Heckenwyke, a good man, was sick 10 days.

139 John Waters [or Wakers]

140 Captain Pockly fell ill at the shouting at York Sept. 15. 1679, dyed at Mr. Dawsons in York the week after.

141 Mtris Cudworth, died of about a fortnight sicknes, was buryed Sept. 19. 1679, aged 63.

142 John Issot of Horbury was very well on munday night at prayer, went to bed, fell suddenly ill, his breath stopt, dying till that time next day, then his breath stopt Sept. 23, 1679, an eminent christian, Mr Marshals elder, aged 73.

143 Ashton Jones : a fashionable man : 1677.

144 Jonas Rodes, buryed Oct. 2. 1679.

145 Daniel Rich, 76, yet a nimble active man, yet unsettled.

146 Lady Watson, a good woman, of great use, distempered in her leg wn I was with her Sept. 16, buryed Oct. 6. 79, a great losse

148 Dr Robt Wild our famous English poet [p. 60.]

149 Mrs Dawson: her husband alderman. [p. 61.]

152 Lady Wilbraham to whom my son John hath been chaplain, a gracious lady dyed Nov. 1, was buryed Nov. 15, 1679, aged 81.

153 Mr Samuel Mauds wife (formerly Mtris Robinson) my good friend

154 Mr. Gurnal of Suffolk (that writ Chtian. Armour) dyed Oct. 1679, a week after he was interred a minister preached his funeral sermon. Clark naming psal. not a person sung, al fell a weeping for their sad losse — so the minister went to prayer, he was a worthy man, tho conformable, aged 70.

155 Thomas Moorhouse (younger brother to Jo. Moorhouse, num. 232). was buryed at Burton.

156 Anne Nunwick born at Braswel in Craven, lived many years at Joseph Learoyds

157 Mr. Trimlet an Anabaptist, strangely conceited in Theology

158 Alice — buryed at Halifax Dec. 9. 1679, aged 70.

159 Micael Watson of Norwood-green dyed of a long-continued disease and was buryed Nov. 1. 1679, aged 69.

160 Nathan Sharp of Wyke, tenant to Coley chappel, was buryed at Burstal Nov. 1679, aged 82.

161 Peter Omroyd (vel Ormsteads) wife, sister to Mary Walker, buryed Jan. 1. 1680.

162 Grace Turner, aunt to Sam. Hopkinson, Dec. 18. 1679.

163. Mr. Heber died at Staunton in Craven where his son lives, buryed at Marton, Dec. 24. 1679. Mr. Heber had been a considerable person in the late wars.

164 Mr John Andrews of little Leaver (the town where I was born), accounted wel of for religion.

168 Robert ferniside, having long lyen under weaknes, buryed at Halifax Jan. 28. 1679-80, aged 81.

169 John Saltonstal, buryed at Halifax Jan. 29, 1680 aged 74, having lyen long in torturing pain.

170 Mtris Mary Drake (Mr Sam. Baylys mother,) a gracious woman, dyed seasonably. [p 61.]

172 Rebeccah Hammond of Scolmore by Horton lay sick about a fortnight, dyed, was buryed at Bradford. Reb. Kersheys mother. [p 61.]

173 Ester widow to Luke Hoyle my old friend, buryed at Halifax feb. 16. 1680 : an ancient professor. [p. 62.]

174 Robert Cloudsly of Leeds an ancient Christian, an active useful man in his time dyed presently after Mr. Thorsby his good friend, Nov. 1679, aged 84.

175 Richard Lawson, an old disciple, had been an active useful man in his day.

178 Mr Thomas Idle : *a great funeral.*

180 Mrs farrand, my good friend and hearer, dyed March 24. 1679-80.

181 Widow Rhodes (Mary Rhodes mother) after long weaknes, many cares, teares, prayers of her precious daughter

183 Mr farrand, schoolmaster at the free School at Almondbury near 40 yeares

184 Dr. Tho. Goodwin (formerly of the Assembly of divines.) [p 62.]

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185 Mr. Samuel Crowther Minister at Wibsey Chappel, dyed of a wearing disease, and was buryed at Bradford June 4, 1680, aged above 40.

186 Widow fish of Sowrby that had been marryed to 3 husbands, a rich woman, was buryed at Sowrby June 17. 1680. Mr Witter preacht the funeral sermon, aged above 60.

187 Alice the wife of Mr. Gilbert Sturdy of Lower Bryar in Northourum was buryed at Halifax June 16, 1680, aged 78.

188 John Town of Blakehill in Northourum was buryed at Halifax on Wednesday being July 7, 1680, being long decrepit, aged 69.

189 Christopher Wilson's wife (Mother to Mr. Brooksbank of Bradford formerly, now of Redding) was buryed july 23, 1680, aged 72.

190 Old widow ——— mother to Anne Armitage in Heckmondwike was buryed on Monday July 19, 1680 at Burstal, aged 84.

191 John Heywood (my fathers own and only brother).

192 Sarah (widow to one) Lister in Halifax, dyed was buryed upon thursday Aug. 26. 1680, aged 99 having been long sick.

193. John Milnes of Halifax that had been in N.E [New England,] a careful provider for excercises, was buryed at Halifax Oct. 4. 1680, aged 77.

194 Mr Henry Ashurst, fined for Alderman of London, a very holy man, died Nov. 1680 ; one of a thousand, aged 66.

195 Mr Moses Jenkins, a pious man.

196 Mr Jonathan Staniforth of furbeck dyed on Lords-day Dec. 5. 1680, aged 52, a very useful man, these 4 were my very good friends.

197 Elizabeth Birch, of Halifax, dyed Dec. 8. was buryed Dec. 10. 1680, my good friend, aged 79.

198 Bridget Brook of Little Gummersall in Burstal parish dyed, was buryed at Burstal Sept. 1680, had come 40 yeares to Halifax market with bread, yet rich, aged 83.

199 Widow Dean of Crossehill near Halifax was buryed at Halifax Dec. 13, 1680, aged 89.

200 Timothy Bentley of Sowrby dyed of a consumption at 10 a clock on Lords day Jan. 9, was buryed Wednesday Jan. 12. 1680-1

201 Daniel Drake (old John Drakes son) fel sick of a surfeit with drinking, lay 10 days, bur. at Halifax Jan. 20. 1681, aged 51, my age.

202 Anthony Waterhouse of Blakehill-end in Northourum buryed the same day at Halifax Jan. 20. aged 80, my old hearer.

203 Justice farrar of th' Ewood's wife, who was gone with most of his family to live in York this winter, his wife dyed there and there buryed Jan. 168^{0}_{1}, aged 55.

204 Mr Thomas Walker, of Bradford, buryed there, feb. 4, 168^{0}_{1}, a shopkeeper of good account, aged 52.

205 Marmaduke Reiner of Gildersome near Morley was buryed at their burying-place near Woodkirk, being a member of that church many years, feb. 7. 1680-1, aged 73.

206 Jeremiah farrer (father to Mr. J. ffarrar, preacher.

207 Mr Abraham Dison of Ealand (father to Mr. Jer. Bentleys wife) was buryed at Ealand feb. 15, 1680-1, aged 80, a rich man.

208. Sarah Thomas an ancient shopkeeper in Halifax buryed there the same day, feb. 15. 8^0_1 aged 70.

209 Henry Wilson of Rippenden that had married Jo. Worrels daughter, a yong woman, very rich, buryed at Ealand feb, 23, 1680-1, aged 74.

210 Nathan Holroyds wife, of Norland, buryed at Ealand March 1, 1680-1, aged 70.

211 Mathew Craven of Shipden hall buryed at Hallifax, March 2, 1680-1, aged 80.

213 Mtris Savil buryed at Ealand.

214 Mr Hopkinson of Loftus, formerly Clark of the peace, buryed at Rodwel, March 3, 1680-1, aged 72, a witty man.

215 Edward Issot of Horbury buryed feb. 26, 1680-1, aged 62.

216 Mrs Sharp, buryed at Bradford, March 8, 168^0_1 having lyen long of a consumption. [p 65.]

219 Mr Gleave of Ratchdal whom I visited, prayed with, March 18, he dyed March 20, was buryed 23, 1681, aged 73. [p. 66.]

221 Mr. Bovil, a fat man.

222 Mr Bawden of Barnby-hall near Silkston was buryed April 15, '81, having languished long under a consumption, aged 44.

223 Mr. Spencer of Cannon-hall near Cawthurn was buryed there Apr. 22, '81, aged 50, a sad story of his life and death may be related.

224 Ephan Cook buryed at Halifax, April 27, 1681, few weeks before struck with a palsey, aged 74, a professing woman, I hope pious.

225 Lady Rhodes, a great upholder of meetings, buried at Dartfield April 22, 1681, at 12 a clock in the night.

227 Mr. Robert Hickson was buryed at Leeds new church April 30, 1681, aged 50, a usefull man in that town, my good friend.

228 Laurence Spencer of Warley buryed at Halifax May 8, 1681, of good repute, father to considerable sons being 88 yeares of age.

230 Mr. Craister of Morley an holy gentlemen going to Leeds, May 11, 81 to Mr Sharps Lecture fel into an Apoplexy at Beeston carryed into Miles Dawsons dyed on friday May 13 buryed at Morley May 16, aged 63.

231 Widow Liversidge of Burkhouse was buryed at Hardger Kirk [Hartshead] june 6, 1681, aged 81.

234 John Wells buryed at Halifax July 12, 1681, he said he was 20 yeares elder than former, but he was 97 or 98 yeares of age—all these near neighbours my old hearers.

235 Mr Abr. Lockwood of Blackhouse in Burton parish, his wife dyed of child-bearing, was buryed at Kirkburton July 29, 1681, near 50.

236 Mr Richard Dolliff of the Swan in Halifax dyed of a consumption Sept. 14, was buryed at Halifax Sept. 16, 1681, aged 58.

237 Old dame Tattersal (Edward Tattersals mother) of Hollins in Warly buryed at Sowrby Bridge Sept. 30. 1681, 98 years of age, dyed a quaker.

238 Tho. Lockwoods wife buryed at Ealand Sept 26. 1681, aged 66, having lyen long ill of a cancer.

239 Samuel Wilson of Shelf buryed at Halifax Oct. 7. '81 aged 68 of a fortnights sicknes

240 Micael Booth my old neighbour was buryed at Halifax Oct. 27. 1681, aged 71.

241 Mary Crabtree of Ovenden (sister to Mr Hodgson) was buryed at Halifax Nov. 12. 1681, aged 60.

242 Thomas Wray of Halifax buryed at Halifax Nov. 16. 1681, aged 58 dyed the day twelve month his son Samuel dyed, according to his prediction.

243 Gregory Tomlinson (one of the Society at Morley) was sick a week, dyed Nov. 26, 81, buryed at Woodkirk Nov. 30. 1681, aged 60.

244 Mr Graunt of Thurnsco a N. C. Minister of admirable parts, seized on with a palsey, lay half a year, dyed, was buryed Dec. 1. 1681, a sad breach, aged 63.

245 William Robuck of Cawthurn, a gracious man, buryed there Dec. 12, 1681, many years sorely afflicted with stone, aged 57.

246 Mr Gill (reader under Dr. Hook at Halifax) a very old man, 84 or more, was buryed at Halifax, Dec. 22, 1681, he had been long a schoolmaster, lay about a month.

247 Henry Brighouse near Brighouse, a rich man, having no children nor near relations to leave his estate to, changed his will. He at last dyed was buryed at Ealand Dec. 26, 1681, aged 75.

248 William Smith of farsely near Calverly was buryed there Jan. 12, he dyed Jan. 9. 168½, my old friend, was at Leeds the tuesday before, aged 84.

249 Nathaniel Bothomly of Dighton dyed Jan. 13. 168½ was buryed at Huthersfield Jan. 16, a gracious man, my dear friend, aged 68.

250 Anne Crompton my kinswoman in Breakmit buryed at Bolton Jan. 26. 168½, aged 76.

251 Mtris Lambert of Halifax buryed there feb. 11. 168½ aged 40.

252 Isaac Bentley of Hungerhill (my old hearer and neighbour) dyed there with Isaac Smith, was buryed feb. 13. 1681-2, aged 82.

253 Widow Scolfield of Thornel-brigs was buryed at Ealand feb. 28. 168½, aged 82.

254 James Smith 1681-2.

255 Mr Moses Jenkins wife of Hackney was buryed Jan. 22. 168½ aged 82.

257 Thomas Brook of Edercliff (Alice Naylers father) was buryed at Burstall, wednesday April 19, 1682, aged 90.

259 Mtris Angier (my uncle Bezaleels wife) 168½.

261 Mtris Whitworth of Roilsden.

263 Mtris Smith, a gracious woman.

266 James Dickinson her husband, May 9. 1682, aged 80.

267 Mtris Ramsden buryed there [Ealand] May 15 1682.

268 Mr John Archer of Oxinholm near Kendal, buryed May 22, 1682. [p 66.]

272 Isaac Smith, one of my old hearers at Coley, buryed at Halifax jun. 14, 1682, aged 76. [p 67.]

273 Mr Webster : something conceited

274 Joseph Blamires of Revy in Bradford Parish (with whom I was acquainted above 30 yeares agoe, an old professor) dyed June 17, 1682, aged 75.

276 Nathan Tilsons wife of Sowrby-bridg buryed at Halifax, tuesday Sept. 5. 1682, aged 60.

280 Peter Winstandly (my dear uncle) was buryed at Cockey by his old friend Richard Mather, Aug. 1682, aged 71.

281 Thomas Beck of Hedinly was buryed May 1682, aged 79. [see 296.]

283 Mtris Maulyverer dyed at her sons house near ferry-brigs, was buryed thursday Oct. 26. 1682, a pious gentlewoman, my dear friend, aged 76.

284 Mtris Cockman of Halifax (whose husband was schoolmaster there a long time agoe) dyed at last Nov. 10. 1682, buryed No. 14, '82, aged 80.

285 Elizabeth Northen buryed at Halifax.

286 Lady Barnick Oct. 1682.

288 Mr Tempest Paulards wife of gummersall dyed the 4th, buryed 11th Nov. 1682 at Burstal, an ancient gentlewoman, aged 76.

289 Prince Rupert (that great man at Court, a sober counsellour) dyed Nov. 1682, aged 65. [crossed out]. [see 300.]

290 John Brearcliff—dyed on munday night 5 a clock, Dec. 4. 1682, having been sick of a raging feaver 14 days, aged 63.

[291, 292, no numbers.]

293 Timothy Starkey—with Mr. D. M. O. [venden].

294 John Reiner of Ecclesall near Idle dyed, was buryed at Bradford Sept, 1682, aged 82.

295 — wife to the last mentioned John Reiner dyed suddenly, shortly after her husband, was buryed at Bradford Dec. 9. 1682, aged 80, having lived togather yeares.

296 Thomas Beck of Headinly buryed at Leeds Nov 1682, aged 80. [see 281.]

299 Mr Hutchinson: buryed at Leeds Dec. 6. 1682.

301 Robert Tillotson (the Dean of Canterbury's father) $168\frac{2}{3}$, my friend. [p 67.]

302 Mr Samuel Clark bur. friday Dec. 29. 1682, the friday I came to London. [p. 68.]

304 Joseph Bolton of Warley was buryed at Halifax March 2. 1683, aged 74.

305 Mary Bently (that was the mid-wife to help my sons into the world) was buryed at Halifax, brought out of Moorfield parish, March 14, $168\frac{2}{3}$, aged 82.

306 Thomas Burch of Halifax buryed there March 16, aged 68.

307 John Ryal of Halifax buryed there Jan. 28. $168\frac{2}{3}$, a rich man, aged 74.

308 Mris Cotes of Rawden had been long melancholy, in a palsey, buryed at Guisely March 20, $168\frac{2}{3}$.
311 Andrew Jackson of Ovenden, a professor, buryed at Halifax May 1. 1683, aged 74.
312 John Greenwood of Redbrink in Sourby buryed there May 4. 1683, a good man, aged 83.
313 and numerous others: *buryed at Halifax* omitted.
317 Mr Billingsley: buryed at Mansfield
318 Mr Wright a godly minister
319 Dr Richard Stern: June 22, 1683, aged 78 or 80.
322 Martha Bairstow dyed at Ed. Slaters, buryed Jun. 29. 1683, at Halifax, aged 55.
324 — Lister of Bolton near Bradford, buryed there July 23, 1683, gradfather to Mr. Jo. Lister, preacher, aged 80.
325 Mr Richard Langly: buryed at Halifax on Wednesday Aug 29. 1683, a very rich man.
327 James Wadington of Warly was buryed at Halifax the same day being monday Sept. 3. 1683, aged 59, a pious man, endured much.
329 William Hodgson near Holdworth, buryed Sept. 9. 1683, aged 74.
335 John Ingham (of the Cock in Halifax) buryed there Nov. 1. 1683, aged 78, very rich.
336 James Scalberts wife: buryed at Halifax, Nov 19. 1683.
339 Mr Armitage: dyed at his sisters W. W. wife, buryed at Burstal Nov. 27. 1683.
340 John Hargreaves: is coroner.
341–2. Heber: so that family is broken up, 2 children.
343 Micael Wilsons wife, whom I had visited but a little before, above 40 y. of age.
347 Mary Jackson of Halifax (mother to John Jackson innekeeper) dyed Jan. 23, buryed at Halifax Jan. 25. $168\frac{3}{4}$, aged 70.
348 Samuel Hoyl formerly of Threapcroft by Illingworth buryed at Halifax Jan. 27. $168\frac{3}{4}$, aged 75, he had lived in good fashion, but was grown very poor.
349 John Illingworths wife of Illingworth, buryed at Halifax feb. 1. $8\frac{3}{4}$, aged 54; of swellings, runnings.
350 Mr John Hodgson of Rippon (my old friend) dyed a prisoner there Jan. 24, $168\frac{3}{4}$, aged 66.
351 James Brigs wife lately of Mountain dyed at G. Boils at Highbently, buryed at Halifax feb, 6. $168\frac{3}{4}$, aged 70.

352 John Scot of Shaw near Halifax dyed lords day night feb. 17. 8¾ bury. feb 20, aged 85.
353 Lady fairfax, daughter to Lady *Barwick*, feb. 16, 8¾, aged 44.
357 Jonathan Viccars of greese, feb 28. 168¾, dyed of jaundys.
359 Mr Hanson: buryed at Halifax
360 Mr Will. Rooks of Rhodes-hall was buryed at Wibsey chappel on friday March 14, 168¾, he was exceeding fat, stufft up, yet but about 48.
361 Henry Spencer: buryed at Halifax, April 1. 1684, and it was sd. other 3 men the same day, about the same age, viz–63.
362 Micael Bests wife buryed at Halifax April 8, 1684, her husband buryed there Oct. 18. 1683.
366 Sarah Bins (Robert Bins wife) of Slaugh*wood* dyed Saturday May 3, 1684, buryed May 7, aged 77.
367 Mr Tho. C——l a N. Conf. minister dyed April 22. 1684, aged about 50.
368 Capt Th Taylor: buryed on his own backside Apr. 30. 1684, a quaker, but a rich man, aged 63. [p. 69.]
369 Mr Cotes: went to his son Bagshaws in Darbishire, fel into a palsey, 1684. [p. 70.]
370 Widow Nettleton of Deusbury dyed there at her son Mr Jo. Nettletons house.
371 Mr John Kirshey: May 1684
374 Widow Shippley of Batley buryed there June 4, 1684, aged 88.
375 William Hield: buryed at Halifax, June 8, 1684.
376 Widow Spencer of Warley (Laurence Spencers wife) buryed at Halifax June 9. 1684, aged 68.
377 Mr Moor, Howarth, buryed there July 15, 1684.
378 George Hudson buryed at Halifax July 25, 1684, aged 88.
379 James Janson (a pious man) of Heckmondwyke, buryed at Batley, July 17, 1684, aged 63.
380 Abraham Naylor (an old hearer of mine) of Heckmondwyke buryed at Burstall July 28, 1684, aged 60.
381 Dr. Jonathan Mawd: 1684
382 John Drakes wife buryed at Kildwick, Aug. 16. 1684, aged 66.
387 Dr Cart: had the feaver also about a year before.
389 Captain Taylor of Brighouse his wife dyed Oct. 28, 1684,

buryed on Oct. 31, in their garden with their head upward, standing upright, by her husband, daughter &c. being quakers, aged 60.

390 William Beevers of Thurnsco in Peniston parish dyed of a dreadful disease, rotting away, Oct. 25, buryed Oct. 28, at Peniston, 1684, aged 64.

391 Richard Hargreaves of Leeds was buryed Nov. 1. 1684, aged 63, a pious man of good parts, of T. ch.

392 Robert Coulins wife: buryed at their burying place at Sowerby-bridge, Nov. 17. 1684.

394 Genit Shoesmith a notable midwife (Rich. Sh. widow) that had always lived about Coley was removed to her son Josephs at Horton, there dyed, was buryed at Bradford May 26, 1684, aged 85.

396 Mr John Tilsley: Dec. 9, 1684, my very worthy father and friend, aged 70. [p. 70.]

397 Martha Bairstow: after long languishing, was buryed at Halifax Dec. 30. 1684, aged 77. [p. 71.]

398 Mr Bat: in sport. 1684.

399 Elizabeth Baxter (Jer. Baxters wife) having languished 10 yeares dyed Jan. 13. was buryed at Halifax Jan. 15. $168\frac{4}{5}$, aged 56.

A years intermission while I was in York Castle.

400 Joseph Maud, an old man living in Sowrby dean dyed was buryed June 16. 1686, aged 85.

408 John Nickol: one of our members: 1686.

409 Robert Naylor: living in Ripponden chappelry, buryed at Todmorden Nov. 22. 1686

410 Mr Gods-gift Kerby (Mr. Kerby of Wakefields only son) a scholler, a young preacher, hopeful, dyed Nov. 22. at Cold Hindly buryed at Wakefield Nov. 24. 1686, aged 28.

411 Judith, Widow Brooksbank, buryed at Ealand Dec. 3. 1686.

412 Mercy Stancliff of gummersal in Burstall buryed Dec. 10. 1686, aged 66

413 Willm. Paulard of Wibsey was buryed at Bradford on Saturday Dec. 18. 1686, aged 84.

414 Edmund Tattersal of Hollins in Warly buryed Dec. 20. 1686, aged 72.

415 Micael Gibson: buryed there [Coley,] Dec. 10. '86 aged

84—2d clark in my time, John Gleadall immediatly before him.

417 John Wells wife : dyed wn I was there, Jan. 12, buryed at Halifax Jan. 15. $168\frac{6}{7}$, aged 86.

419 John Charlesworth of Heaton in Burstall parish was buryed there Jan. 24. $168\frac{6}{7}$ an old man above 70, sometimes an hearer of Mr. Dawsons.

421 Sarah Lord buryed at Halifax, March 15, 1686-7, aged 67, she had been of Mr Roots church.

422 John Booth near Coley-chappel buryed at Halifax [p. 71.]

425 Anne Mitchel of Halifax buryed there, Apr. 19. '87.

429 Nicolas Ilbeck buryed at Halifax, June 14, 1687, aged 63.

430 Richard Hall of Southourum buryed at Halifax, June 22 '87, aged 74.

434 Hanna Hodgson living at Isaac Balmes in Boulin was buryed July 15, 87 at Bradford aged 80, having been near a year in a palsey.

434 Colonel venables of Cheshire 1687 [p. 72.]

435 Mr Robert Pickering (late of Churrel) that had lived at Sted in Burstal parish, Sept 2. 1687.

437 Mr Drake ; Thornton in Craven, 1687

439 George Gill of Halifax buryed Oct. 22. '87.

440 Sarah Bentley of Sourby, buried there Oct. 31. 1687, had lyen long ill

Phoebe Dawson buryed that day at Halifax, 7 y old.

446 Mr Hodgson a gentleman that lived near churrel was buryed at Beeston, Dec. 13. 1687.

447 Mr Core : that in this liberty preacht in a barn there, 1687.

448 Widow Hilton, my brother Hiltons mother, 1687.

449 Joshua Dickson of Leeds was buryed on Friday there, Jan. 6, 1687, aged 63.

451 Mr John Issott, minister to that society meeting at John Heys in Gisburn parish—buryed at Marton Jan. 17, $8\frac{7}{8}$ [p. 72.]

452 Michael Oldfield of Sourby-bridge was buryed at Halifax Jan 20. $168\frac{7}{8}$, aged 73.

454 My cozen Sarah Okey

456 Sir William Lowther, an ancient man.

458 John Hansons wife, where Mr Smith used to have his meeting, was buryed March 6, $168\frac{7}{8}$

459 Daniel Baits of Warley, jun, was buryed at Halifax, March 7, $168\frac{7}{8}$ of 5 days sickness.
460 John Donne of Halifax buryed there March '88, a prodigall.
461 Anne Atkinson of Halifax dyed, was buryed there March 29, '88, aged 70.
463 John Dean of Illingworth buryed at Halifax, March 29, 88, aged 85, the last of the Deans, old ones.
464 Lord Henry Fairfax: aged *about* 60 [p. 72.]
465 Leah Worsnup that lived at Stump crosse (Gyles Worsnups wife) was buryed at Halifax munday April 22, 88, aged 80, dyed at Jo. B. at Illingworth
467 Mr Richard Wilson of Leeds buryed at New Kirk May 9, 88, aged 63.
468 Richard Hoyls daughter of Godley. [p. 73.]
470 Nicholas Rycroft of Illingworth, very aged, 88 years of age, buryed at Halifax May 14, 1688.
471 My good aunt, Ellenor Russell.
473 Thomas Wade (Rich. Wilkinsons father in law) buryed at Bingly July 26, 1688, aged 101.
474 John Clayton his neighbour buryed at Bingly July 31, '88, aged 83.
477 Sarah Chetham buryed at Halifax the same day both aged women, about 70, Sept. 4. 1688.
478 Judith Cockcroft of Warly buryed at Halifax Sept. 17. 88, aged 70.
479 Mr Jonathan Hall: buryed at Halifax, it was a mighty solemnity.
482 Mr Doughty: buryed there Oct. 14, 1688.
484 Mary Walker of Scoles in Burstall parish was buryed at Halifax on thursday Oct. 25, 1688, aged 84.
485 Mrs Mawd: buryed at Halifax Oct. 28, 1688.
486 Dr. Bury: a man of great estate, much practice, had changed his name for it from Mountain to Bury.
487 Mr Wilkinson of Green head: Dec. 1. 1688, 58 y. of age —60.
489 Mr Rycroft minister at Peniston, born near Illingworth (Nicolas Rycroft his father yet living) buryed Oct 1688.
491 Dr Stanhup of Horsforth buried at Guisely Dec. 24, 1688, he was Justice Stanhups son about 4 [sic] years of age
494 Dr. Rich. Hook, buryed on thursday Jan. 3. $168\frac{8}{9}$, aged 67

495 Nicholas Rycroft of Illingworth was buryed at Halifax Jan 17. 1688, a very old man, aged 87, his livelihood gone by his sons death, his wife buryed May 14, '88.

497 Mr Nathaniel Spencer: buryed Jan. 31. $168\frac{8}{9}$.

498 — Greams wife (mother to James Greams) of Barsland, buryed at Halifax feb. 11. $8\frac{8}{9}$, aged 73.

499 Robert Ramsdens wife of Park Nook buryed at Halifax: under long weaknes.

500 Mtris *Margaret* Dinely [p. 73.]

501 Mtris Jollie: at Mr Tho. Jollies, Wyming-houses near Pendle hil. [p. 74.]

503 Mr Josh. Kerby minister at Wakefield

504 Mary wife to James Scalbert of Halifax buryed there March 12, $8\frac{8}{9}$.

505 Thomas Cherriholm, a famous Apothecary, in Wakefield, buryed there on thursday March 14, $168\frac{8}{9}$, aged 64.

506 Michael Bolton of Priestly green buryed at Halifax March 19, $168\frac{8}{9}$, aged 83.

507 James Bury of Idle buryed at Cawverly March 11, $8\frac{8}{9}$, aged 67.

508 Michael Balm of Bradford buryed there on thursday March 28, 1689, aged 94.

509 William Clarkson of Idle buryed at Calverly April 1, 1689.

510 Mr Joseph fountains of Leeds buryed there April 1. 1689, a rich man, shoomaker, aged 60.

511 Mris Gill of Carhouse by Rotherham buryed there on thursday April 4, 1689, aged 31.

512 Isaac Broadly of Bradford buryed there April 9, 1689, shopkeeper, aged 32.

513 Robert Ramsden buryed [at Halifax], a very rich man. [p. 75.]

514 Phoebe Tattersal of Robucks in Warly buryed at Luddenden April 4, 1689, aged 60.

515 Richard Jepson (bailiff of Halifax that took me) was buryed there Apr 11, 1689.

516 Mr Stephen Ellis (that occasioned my plundering for preaching) was buryed at Halifax Apr. 19, 1689, aged 75.

520 James Sutcliff of Washer Lane buryed at Halifax April 24, 1689, aged 81.

521 John Holdworth that had lyen sadly above 2 yeares.
522 Sarah Walker buryed in Halifax church, May 3. 1689.
524 Mr Edward Sill: I helpt to lay him in the grave. [p 75.]
527 Mr Timothy Root dyed at Holden [p. 76.]
529 Mr Abraham Swain of Bradford was buryed there June 20. 1689, a rich man but the 4th in that town that killed themselves with drinking within that quarter of a year.
530 Mr Smith of Gildersom (whose father was my dear friend, a rich man) imprisoned in fleet at London for debt about hearth money, dyed in Rodwel jail was buryed July 20. 1689, at Rodwel aged 50.
531 Mr Wentworth : buryed at Empsal
532 Mr John Sagar of Allerton, steward of the court at Bradford &c dyed, was buryed there Aug. 31. 1689, of a sore throat, mouth, age 60.
533 Mary Holt (my kinswoman) poor but a precious soul mounted to heaven above all discouragemts from a bad husband, children, June 10 89 aged 59, her body interred with difficulty, passed safely
534 Rebecca Critchlaw my own cozen german dyed was buryed at Dean church Aug. 5. 1689, after weary days of affliction, being poor, and grown crooked, aged 66.
535 Mr Thomas Rigge of Halifax was buryed there Octob. 6. 1689 Mr Hanson preacht the funeral sermon at noon aged 35.
538 Martha Rig of Sourby buryed there Oct. 14. 89. aged 40.
539 Mtris Gill of Oaks Mr Henry Gills wife buryed at Norton in Darbishire Oct 23, '89.
543 Mr Henry Swift, vicar of Peniston dyed of 24 houres sickness on thursday Oct. 31. 1689, being aged 68.
544 Robert Dinely Esq.—at Bramhup chappel, a pious gentleman
545 George Town of Kings crosse was buryed at Halifax on Nov. 20, 1689, a rich man, aged 50.
547 Old T. Galkroger (father to Mr Galkroger vicar of Howorth) buryed at Bradford Nov. 21. 1689, aged 80.
552 Anne the wife of Joseph Holdworth of little Horton near Bradford having lyen a caitiff in great pain and misery was buryed at Bradford Nov. 23. 89, aged 50.
553 Nathaniel Longbothom of Hall house in Northourum having long lyen under great weakness buryed at Halifax Dec 4. 89. aged 41

554 Lady Katharin Hewet, having languisht long under sore infirmities.

555 Mr Hoyl an Attorney at Brookfoot was buryed at Ealand Dec. 14. 1689, a great ranter, drinker, aged 30.

557 Widow Emmatt of Warly buryd at Halifax Dec. 23. 89, aged 74.

558 John Dobson of Cottingly buryed at Bingly Dec 27. 89, aged 31. Th. Dobsons son of Bingly.

559 Widow Hooker of Harwood well buryed at Halifax Jan. 4. '89-90, aged 81.

560 Sarah Rhodes of little Horton buryed at Bradford Jan. 7. 1689-90, aged 82.

561. Mtris Dean mother to Ms Oates of Hollins was buryed at Halifax Jan 21. 1689-90, aged 50.

562 Grace Hargreaves sister to Joshua Whitly and kept Fr. Priestlys house at Priestly green buryd at Halifax Jan. 22. 1689-90, aged 63.

564 James Philep dyed at Coley hall poor tho he had been a man of good fashion, buryed at Lightliff Jan. 26. 1689-90, aged 65.

566 Anne (wife to Joshua Walker of Bingly my dear friend) buryed at Bingly feb. 10. 89-90, aged 69.

568 Mtris Horton : buryed at Ealand [p. 77.]

569 Mr Benjamin Wadington of Gledel buryed at Leeds feb. 20. 89-90, 4th son thats dead with intemperance of Mr Wadington of Otterburn in Craven who had £1200 a year dead A. D. 89.

570 Mr. Mark Freeman (whose funeral I attended at Leeds) feb. 25, 89-90, my dear friend, aged 63.

572 Thomas Richmond buryed at Leeds the 25 of feb $\frac{89}{90}$, aged 57.

573 William Jackson (that married Mat. Boys daughter) was buryed at Leeds feb 25, $\frac{89}{90}$, aged 56, all these three buryed on one day, all praying pious persons, my good friends and to Zion, oh sad omen.

574 Joseph Hodgson of Biarly dyed a little before I came thither that day, buryed at Bradford feb. 28, $\frac{89}{90}$, aged 36.

575 Martha Nickol of Hough buryed at Halifax March 3, 1689, aged 72, my old clarks wife

576 John Gill, Taylor in Halifax buryed there March 4. $\frac{89}{90}$ aged 36.

577 Jonathan Kighly of Halifax buryed there March 7, $\frac{89}{90}$, aged 60, a rich man of 200 li a year.

758 Mr John Horsfield of Mosse hal dyed in an alehouse by Kildwick March 5, $\frac{89}{90}$, prejudiced himself.

579 Walter Gleadston of Marton (father to Mr Gleadston of Bradford) was buryed in Craven, Jan. $16\frac{89}{90}$.

580 Judith wife of Robert Hall of Halifax buryed there March 20, 1689, aged 54, Mr Hough preacht the funerall sermon on Mat. 25. 3.

581 Thomas Oates of Wyke buryed at Lightliff March 19, $\frac{89}{90}$, aged 73, my old Landlord &c.

583 Thomas Warbutton of Bowlin hall buryed at Bradford March 24, $168\frac{9}{90}$, aged 60.

584 John Kirk : my good friend.

586 Sarah Brooksbank went to visit her mother seized with a feaver

587 Joseph Brooksbank dyed at Widow Naylors, his wives mothers of a feaver

588 Mr Thomas Lister : buryed at Halifax, aged about 34.

592 Genit Snell : buryed at Halifax May 3, 1690.

596 Mr Henry Coulburn, my brother in law, buryed at Prestwich, March 1690, aged 49, had lyen in great pain 18 weeks, very rich.

597 Mr Peter Naylor buryed at Wakefield, 2 coaches, 12 ministers, many hundreds of people attended the funeral.

598 Mr Wadsworth—a very useful man, member at Topliff, maintained meetings in his house, had great afflictions

599 John Wordsworth : of Mr Naylors society.

600 Mr Wood : he had been indulged to preach some time at Greaseborough chappel

601 John Smith of Great Horton in Bradford-dale buryed at Bradford June 11. 1690, he was born at farsely, was one of our society, aged 50.

602 Sir John Ramsden (madame Ramsden son) of Langly-hall by Huddersfield dyed at his own house beyond Wakefield, buryed at Badsworth June 7, 90.

603 Mary the wife of John Margerison of Woodside near

Rhodes-hall died June 15 buryed at Bradford june 18, 1690 of a consumption

604 James Robinson of Wakefield an honest man, a schoolmaster dyed Lords day june 8. '90.

605 Willm Clark jun dyed on munday june 9, 90 both buryed at Wakefield june 11, 1690, both professors.

606 Mr Anthony foxcrofts wife dyed suddenly at Thornton of an impost on Lords day june 15, '90.

608 Mr John Kershaw of Hoylehouse near Lightleff buryed his wife at Tong, June 30, 1690.

609 Mr Turner : a rising man, seized on by a feaver at Doncaster going to London, carryed back, dyed June 1690, an ingenuous lovely yong man. [p. 77.]

610 George Bentlys wife of Halifax taken with a palsey, lay a fortnight, whom I visited, prayed with, was buryed there tuesday July 1, 90.

611 Robert Gibsons daughter of Sleadhal in Lightliff buryed at Halifax on thursday July 10, '90, great ringing, Mr Cliff preacht the funerall sermon

612 Mr Jackson : July 17, 1690, an ancient man, 82 years of age, carryed to pulpit 2 yeares, having been many yeares there. [p. 78.]

613 Martha Croft : having lyen some weeks in a very miserable condition, was buryed at Halifax July 23, 1690.

614 Mr Nicolas Brooksbank : but retired many years, seized on with a palsey on Wednesday, dyed friday, buryed munday July 28, 1690, at Ealand.

615 Mr Thomas Beaumont of Morfield, dyed at Bautry as he came from London, an Attorney, brought through Wakefield, buryed at Morfield July 31, 1690, a rich man without child.

617 Mr Samuel Angiers wife (my dear cozen)

619 Samuel Threapland : buryed at Wibsey.

620 Ms Randal (sister to Jerem. Bently) buryed at Halifax Aug. 19. 1690, Mr Hough preacht funeral sermon.

621 Robert Mitchel of Skipton was buryed there Sept. 3. 1690, an ancient man ; his wife dyed a little before.

626 Thomas Ledgard : buryed at Carverly.

628 Joseph Whewels wife buryed at Halifax the same day Nov. 11. 1690, a very old woman.

629 Jonas Greenwood, a phisitian, buryed at Halifax.

630 Benjamin Boys wife of Halifax buryed there the same day, Nov. 27. 1690.
631 Jonathan Stocks wife of Halifax (my smith) buryed at Halifax Nov. 28, '90.
632 John Riddlesden of Halifax wife buryed Dec. 10. 1690 of a feaver which is rife in Halifax.
633 Mr Robt. Savil : buryed at Ealand.
635 Richard Mitchel (my dear christian friend)
636 John Dickinson of Astee
637 Joshua Dawson (the great quaker) was buryed in a field Dec. 29. 90, aged 73, had been a sp. court man before the warre.
638 Mr Antony foxcroft was buryed at Thornton in Craven Jan. 7. 9^0_1 with his son in law Hanson, aged 40.
640 Mr Hoyl of Lightliff, prisoner in Halifax, for debt, buryed there, Jan. 12. 9^0_1
641 Mr Ramsbothom preacher at Honly
642 Abraham Sunderland (uncle to M. S. of J. B.)
643 Phoebe Firth dyed at Egerton with her sister, buryed at Huthersfield jan. 25. 169^0_1, aged 83, our old neighbour and member.
645 Martha the wife of John Kershaw, junr, buryed at Wibsey chappel Jan. 27. 9^0_1 dyed of a cancer in her breast.
646 Mr John Drakes wife of Kildwick was buryed there feb. 6 169^0_1.
648 Mr. Guy : buryed at Ratchdal. [p. 78]
650 Mr John Murgatroyd of Newlands buryed his wife in child-bearing (he marryed his neece) she was buryed feb. 25. 169^0_1, rich folkes.
651 Mr Timothy Smith of York, my good friend, was buryed feb. 169^0_1 being 62 yeares of age.
652 Grace the wife of James Dickinson at Suckden head buryed feb. 28. 169^0_1 at Halifax, aged 60.
653 Joshua Hodgsons wife was buryed at Halifax feb. 28. 9^0_1 was at her daughters J. S. wife Lords day before, her husband a quaker, aged 59.
654 Timothy Collier that came from Heddon [Yeadon] in Guisely parish dyed at Widow Brooksbanks in Shelf under

Dr. Threaplands hands of a cancer, March 1, carryed home dead in a horse litter March 2. 9^0_1, aged 69, nephew to Mr Collier of Bradford.

655 Esther Lum (lying long under sores and great weaknes at Joseph Crofts at Colyhall, buryed at Halifax, Mar. 4. 9^0_1, [p. 79.]

656 Jacob Wilson (called gray Jacob) buryed at Halifax March 1. 9^0_1, aged 66.

657 Joseph Boocock buryed at Halifax March 4. 169^0_1, aged 56.

658 Dame Appleyard (Ms Naylors mother of Alverthorp) buryed March 10, 169^0_1, aged 68.

659 Mr Willm Wilton buryed his wife at Ealand March 21, 169^0_1, Mr Walker preacht funeral.

660 Mr Edmund Hough vicar of Halifax was buryed there Apr. 3. 1691 in the quire, Mr Coreles preacht on Mat. 25. 21, he would have been 59 the 15th day of this mth, had been about 2 yeares at Halifax.

661 Sir Ralph Knight: dyed April 20, 1681, when I was there, buryed at Furbeck Apr. 23, aged 73.

662 John Wood of Brackenbed near Halifax buryed there April 20, 1691, a gracious man, aged 87.

663 Mtris Copley: carryed in a coach to Doncaster to be buryed Apr. 20. 1691, aged 83.

664 Susan Stevenson of Boothstown buryed at Halifax April 24, 1691, aged 48.

665 Isaac Balm of Pudsey buryed at Tong April 14, 1691, aged 66.

666 Mr James Longbothom (my good friend)

667 Dr Lamplu— formerly Bp of Exeter but fled to K. James from K. W. at his entrance who in recompence promoted him. [? *to* King W.]

669 Mtris Jenkinson of Leeds (formerly Mr Milner of Pudseys wife) dyed May 1691, aged 62.

670 Mr Edward Dean dyed at Mr Oats of Hollins buryed at Luddenden May 13, 1691, aged 58. male vixit

671 Isack Waterhouse of King-crosse was buryed at Halifax May 22, 1691, a dier, aged 56.

672 Mr. Overy schoolmaster at Churrel near Morly died of a consumption was buryed May 22, 1691.

674 Mr John Heywood of Ashton parish under line buryed *june* 3, 1691, aged 60.
675 James Howarth of the Cock in Halifax buryed there june 3. 91, prejudiced by intemperance.
676 Mr Cowper minister at Ardsley Woodkirk dyed Apr. 1691, having been grievously tormented with stone above two yeares aged 53.
677 Sylvanus Worrrel was buryed at Halifax June 19. 91 this with J. H. killed himself with drinking together, aged 40.
678 Grace the wife of Isaac Waterhous of King crosse buryed at Halifax on friday June 19, aged 54.
679 old Widow Sharp of Brackenbed buryed on thursday June 18, '91, a very old woman, sumptuos funeral.
680 Lister *of Allerton.* She was buryed at Bradford June 23, 1691, aged 75, a godly woman.
681 James Hodgson of Halifax, butcher, buryed on Lords day June 27, 1691, a rich man, aged 72.
683 Arthur Lee buryed at Kirkheaton March 25, 1691, aged 89.
684 William Maud was buryed at Halifax july 2, 1691, a good man.
685 Margaret w. of John Rushworth of Coley-chappel buryed there.
686 Mtris Ramsden of Langly hall buryed at Huthersfield, mighty in wealth.
687 Mtris Townly : buryed Aug. 10. 1691 at Huthersfield.
689 Robert Hopwood buryed at Halifax Aug. 12. '91.
691 Eliezer Holdworth buryed at Tingly burying place Sept. 1. 1691.
692 Mr Shaw : at Woosper near Barnsly Sept. 3, '91, had preacht at —— near Hull.
693 Mary Wilson of Thatchleash in Prestwich : convicted by me.

[694-5 omitted numbering]

696 Mr John Denham : my good friend
697 Daniel Penington my old neighbour buryed at Halifax Oct. 4. 1691, aged 81.
698 Robert Parkinson of great Horton buryed at Bradford Oct. 5. '91, of black jaundys.
699 Esther Stead of Wibsey buryed at Bradford Oct. 5. 91

700 Mr William Milner of Leeds in dotage dyed suddenly, was buryed Oct. 7. 91, aged 66

701 Mr Coultas of York killed by a tree buryed Oct. 10. '91

702 Dr Neal of Leeds buryed there Octob. 20. 1691. Aged 64.

703 Daniel Sharp buryed at Halifax Octob 24. 1691, aged 72.

704 Jonathan Kighly not 21 having a great estate left him fell into consumption on Tuesday morning, would be carryed in a chair into the George (Ms Wainhouses) his own, they gave him a cup of sack, he passed away, buryed thursday Oct 29.'91.

704 Mr Wm. Hulm my old companion at school, decayed gentleman had been justice, was brought to Brother Hiltons, buryed at Manchester Oct. 29. 91. Aged 60.

705 Mr John Leaver : some accidents at his funeral.

706 Mr Calverly of Calverly justice of peace, took disease left his family dyed at Leeds tuesday Nov. 10. was buryed Nov. 14, 1691, a strange man, aged 55.

707 Robt Allison junr coming home at 2 or 3 a clock full of drink was found cast off his horse dead by Booths-town Nov. 25. 1691, early in morning—coming from Mr Mitchels of Scout, buryed No. 27. '91.

708 Tho. Butterfields wife being in drink fell down a pair of stairs, broke her neck, Sept. 26, 1691.

709 William the son of Willliam Oddy of Wibsey buryed at Bradford Dec. 4. 1691, a lusty hopefull young man.

710 Samuel Stansfield a sad companion of Robt Allisons brought to beggary, kept by R. Allison ; dyed in his house was buryed yt day 3 weeks R.A. was killed before Nov. 4. 91.

711 Mary widow to John Sagar of Allerton was buryed at Bradford, Dec. 14. 1691.

712 William Wadsworth of flanshaw dyed at Horbury buryed at Wakefield Dec. 3. 91, an aged man, 84.

713 Robert Gibson of Slead-hall buryed at Halifax Dec. 16. 91, a sad companion of Robert Allisons, with whom he had a sore drink at Hightown, never wel after.

714 I had a letter from my son Eli: from London dated Dec. 12. that Mr Richard Baxter was dead and to be buryed on thursday Dec. 17. 1691, aged 78, an extraordinary man, got to his Everlasting Rest.

715 James Chadwick of Mill-roe in Ratchdal-parish was buryed there on Saturday Dec. 12. 1691, had a somniferous potion, never awakt, slept his last.

716 Mtris Craister dyed at her sons in Morley whither she sd she would come to dye the week before, was buryed Dec. 10. 91, aged 70.

717 Old Widow Hey (mother to John Hey of Pudsey) dyed at Jo. Rhodes, at Collier Syke, buryed at Bradford Dec. 17. 91, aged 73.

718 Martha Wardman (my old Landlady 40 y. agoe) was buryed at Halifax Dec. 25. 91, aged 73, dyed suddenly

719 Abraham Hardisty of this town was buryed Dec. 24. 91, a poor old man 80 y. of age.

720 John Drake of Pikely near to Thornton (40 years a quaker, but of late got above them) was buryed at their burying place near Bradford, Dec. 30. 1691, aged 76.

721 Mr Joseph Ramsden dyed at John Jacksons of Halifax, buryed at Ealand Jan. 1. 169½, son to Mr Ramsden of Crowstone in Greetland.

722 Widow Taylor of little Horton buryed at Bradford Jan. 7. 9½, an ancient woman, about 70.

723 My aunt Joan Heywood, now Horrocks was buryed at Bolton in Lanc. Dec. 13, 1691.

724 Widow Priestly.

725 Ashton Jones widow of Halifax, buryed there jan. 15, 9½. Attended former buriall.

726 Richard Appleyard our neighbour at Only-house, was buryed Jan. 20. 169½, at Halifax, aged 45.

727 Mr James Creswick (whose daughter Mr John ferrar of the wood marryed) dyed at Balehall near Pontefract was buryed Jan. 20. 9½, an Eminent N.C. minister, aged 73.

729 Alice Wilkinson of Northourum buryed at Halifax feb. 4, 9½, aged 67.

730 Mary Oddy of Wibsey buryed at Bradford feb. 10. 169½, a good maid.

731 Mr Robt Boyl (the honourable searcher into secrets of nature) dyed about the time Mr Baxter dyed Dec. a famous man, aged 70.

732 Mr flower, steward to Mr Taylor of Wallinwells dyed at Mansfield, buryed at Nottingham, feb 5, 9½.

733 Nathan Kershaw of Soyland dyed feb. 23. 9½, buryed at Ealand aged 38.

734 Alice Scot (Ab. Scots mother) dyed at Hall-houses in Shipden, buryed at Halifax feb. 22. 9½, aged 90.

735 Mr Robt Mort of Wharton hall, Dean parish in Lanc. dyed Jan. 169½, a godly man, aged 66.

736 James Baumford near Ratchdall, buryed there feb. 18, 9½, aged 60.

737 Mr Jeremiah Brig of Epenbough Hall buryed at Heptonstal feb. 24, 169½, a quondam preacher, but marryed a rich old widow, aged 71, and so gave over preaching.

738 Mr Israel Wornewell at London being in the country last summer, dyed at London feb, 169½, Vicar in Almanbury, Mr Waterhouse, Mr Sharp were his guardians.

739 Mr Josiah Wadsworths wife of Water-hall was buryed at Peniston tuesday feb. 16. 169½, Mr Hough vicar preacht funeral sermon, aged 60.

740 Robert Walker of Wakefield buryed feb. 25. 169½. Religious.

741 Bridget wife of Jonathan Crowther (formerly of John Mellen) my old landlady buryed at Halifax March 2, 9½, aged 70.

742 Jeremiah Wadington of Sourby buryed there feb. 9. 169½, aged 56 left his son to Josiah Stansfield.

743 Ellis Woodhead of Mixenden mill, walk-millner, buryed at Halifax March 4, 169½.

744 Esquire Beaumont: buryed at Kirk-heaton, a great man. [p. 79.]

745 Nicholas Sugden of Halifax an Innekeeper, buryed March 8, 9½, a great drinker, aged 57.

746 Antony Gill buryed at Halifax March 10, 169½, aged 61, an honest hearer of mine.

747 Mr Tho. Priestly of Halifax dyed March 8, buryed there March 14, 9½, apothecary, very rich, aged 36. [p 80.]

748 Richard Ask of Rodly near Caverly was struck with an horse March 4, fell into a feaver, dyed March 13, buryed at Caverly March 15, 169½, coroners quest went on him, my friend, aged 69.

749 Mr Ralph Ward: a gracious eminent man, long decaying, buryed Mch 15, 9½.

750 Jane Thomas of Hipperholm (commonly called little Jane) nurse to Schollars, blind some years buryed at Halifax, March 19, 169½, aged 80, servant formerly to J. Wright

751 Captain John Drake born in Northourum dyed at London March 24, 169½, aged 66.

752 Mr Ward of Pontefract buryed there March 31, 1692, nephew to Sir Patience Ward, an upholder of the meeting, aged 40.
753 Thomas Kitson of High-sunderland near Halifax dyed April 3, 1692, buryed there Apr 5 or 6, 1692, 60 y. of age.
754 Jonathan Wilson bailiff, prison-keeper or jaylour in Halifax buryed there Ap. 8. 1692, a civil man.
755 Judith Wadsworth, a quaker in Shelf buryed at their burying place by Bradford, Apr. 8, 1692, aged 71.
756 Mr John Hield of Priestly buryed at Halifax Apr. 12, 1692, aged 40.
757 Abr. Holts wife of Boys town buryed Apr. 5, 1692 at Halifax
758 Jonathan Jagger of Burstall buryed Jan. 1. 1691, aged 50, professor. [Crossed off.]
759 Isabel the wife of Joshua Whitley of Soud-house buryed at Halifax April 15, 1692, aged 61.
760 Grace the wife of Abraham Scot of Spigs buryed at Halifax Apr. 15. '92.
761 Joshua Dawsons wife the quaker, buryed Apr. 15. 92, aged 60.
762 James Smethurst of Manchester : a great tradesman.
763 James Barrows wife of Shipden buryed at Halifax Apr. 26, 1692, aged 64.
764 Jonathan Jagger. [same as 758 above.]
765 Abraham Beamont of Robert-town in Burstall parish, dyed suddenly in 3 hours May 1. 92, melancholy, had attempted twice to make himself away.
766 My Lord Willoughby : with whom I was May last 1691.
767 Susanna Sauden of Holdworth buryed at Halifax May 14, 1692, a gracious woman, aged 48.
768 Mr William Wilton of Slead-syke buryed at Ealand June 3, 1692, a rich man reputed, but—, aged 56.
769 Nathan Whitly of Rooks buryed at Halifax june 15, 1692, aged 81, once a bitter enemy to me.
770 Robert Allison of Ovenden was buryed at Halifax june 15, 92, aged 80.
771 Mary Longbottom (Isaacs wife) of Damhead buryed at Halifax june 17, 92 my good friend, aged 60.
772 John Wainhouse of Pyenest in Warley buryed at Halifax june 21, 92, who was killed with a fall : other two neighbours buryed that day.

773 Mary Bins of Landimer-syke, buryed at Halifax june 25, an old woman, near 80.

774 Paul Greenwood of Height in Northourum buryed at Halifax june 15, 94, a quaker, aged 78.

775 Mary wife to Joseph Rushworth of Northorun [sic] buryed june 15, 94. Aged 80 years.

776 John Rushworth of Coley chappel dyed on Saturday July 2, immediately after I had prayd with him, buryed at Coley munday 4 july 1692, aged 78.

777 Strafford: a mighty man of wealth.

778 Mr John Leaver: a worthy good man. 1692

779 Kellet beyond Lanc. 1692.

780 Mr Zechariah Taylor, N.C. Minister, lately schoolmaster at Kirkham beyond Preston dyed '91, 74 y. of age. [p. 80.]

781 Mary Blackbrough an old woman at Range was buryed july 19, 92, at Halifax, aged 64,

782 Robert Bins formerly of Slaughwait dyed at Steneland, buryed at Ealand, june 26, 1692, aged 92.

783 Sir Henry Thompson buryed at Castle-gate church in York, Aug. 27. 92.

784 Mr John Man, merchant in York, carryed out into the country to be buryed yt day.

785 Mr Bains of York, grocer, buryed that day —— all dyed while I was in York.

Mr. Edge, [pages 59 and 62 of the *Register*] a N.C. minister living at Gosworth in Cheshire, having been with his wife at Chester, the morning after he returned home, being Friday June 21 [not ffebr, as on p. 59], 1678, after prayer, breakfast, going into his study felt a pain and stopping in his brest, he knockt, the maid came up, he bade her ask her master come up, he came, but within an houre he breathed his last, its thought of an imposture—its an heavy breach, he was a good schollar, godly man, a good preacher (I have joyned with him at Denton), very laborious, did much good in these parts, there will be great —— Lord sanctify it to us all.

Mary Kershaw (or rather John Nickols wife) dyed July 31, 1677, at 2 a clock in the morning, the year following on the same day of the month her only son Isaac Nickol dyed at John Kershaws at Norwood-green, viz July 31, 1678, at two a clock in the afternoon, aged about 8, the father John

Nickol being gone away into Holland. [Pages 54, 56, and 59 of *Register*].

Mr Hardcastle dyed very suddenly Oct. 1. 1678 [Page 59, *Regr.*]

There is an old man and his wife viz Henry Bamford that make 200 yeares betwixt them, the man is 94, the woman 104, they live at Deaf-mil in Southourum. J. B. said he saw them both carding there out of doores on June 24, 1679.

On Saturday night Isaac Sargeants daughter near Woodkirk dyed of childbearing after intollerable pains, Dr Johnson, &c. The story of it is dreadful, and almost unparaleld. [Page 62, *Register.*]

On Munday Sept 23. 1678, Mtris Cook (Mr Sales daughter) was delivered of a son at Pudsey, blessed be a prayer-hearing god. But on Friday Oct. 11. 78, she dyed: a sad family. [Page 62, *Register.*]

A woman in Calverly parish———wch. was judged—strange [Page 62, *Register.*]

Mtris Cotton of Denbigh delivered safe of a daughter on thursday night Sept. 12. 78 that day Mr Hancock and Mr Bloom had preacht there and prayd for her, blessed be god.

Mtris Cotton of Denbigh tho safely delivered yet fell ill and dyed Octob. 9. 1678 was buryed on Saturday Octob. 12. a sad breach. [Page 62, *Register.*]

Mr Finch marryed Mtris Judith Horton (Mtris Horton of Barslands daughter) lived in Kent, he fell sick, dyed, she being with child, traveld &c. Mr Will. Horton and Mr. Wood of Rippenden on hearing it went thither, Octob. 28, 1678. [See *Register*, page 62 ante.]

Richard Scarboroughs wife (Anne Northends daughter called Susanna) was brought to bed of a son (Thomas) on munday Oct. 28. 1678, was hopeful for recovery but begun in a fever wch dispatcht her in 14 days, dyed Nov. 15. at 5 a clock in the morning, was buryed at Halifax No. 17. [See page 62 ante.]

A woman that lived at Will. Walkers near Walterclough carded 3 pond of wool on thursday, dyed on Saturday following, Dec. 21, '78, violently taken with pain, was not sensible after she begun, a lusty woman, going to be marryed, blew spots broke out wn she was dead. [*Register*, p. 62.]

Nathaniel Webster . . . . . at London, kept his parlour,

A. S. sitting with him on thursday night Dec. 26. 1678, by that time he was gone, fell a raving, dyed before ten a clock, would not hear of death, but sd immediately before, "I shal be with the lads (i.e. his workmen, being a dyer) shortly:" was buryed at Bradford Dec. 28. 78. [*Register* p. 63.]

As I rode by Brighouse Jan. 13, $167\frac{8}{9}$, I heard a woman tell another that the night before one Willm. Thorps wife of View Trees in Lightliff was well at half an hour within evening and was laid forth, being dead, at 6 houres within evening. I inquired into it and she affirmed to me.

Mtris Waterhouse of Bradford eat her dinner on Saturday as well as she had done long before, her husband went to Mr Sharps, sate there most of the afternoon, came home, they got her to bed, as she laid down she sd "I am sick" fetch such a bottle, her daughter went but instantly she was dead: this was Jan. 18, she was buryed Jan. 21. $167\frac{8}{9}$ though she had been troubled with stone and stopping many years, yet it was wonderful sudden. [*Register*, p. 63.]

Mr Etherington minister of Sowrby died suddenly on jan. 4. $7\frac{8}{9}$, purposed to preach the day after, was in his parlour, his wife going to fetch somewt. in the house he was dead before or immediately after she came again, tho he had been weakly, melancholy, had much discouragmt. [*Register*, 63.]

Jonas Rushworths wife . . . . . buryd Jan. 29. $7\frac{8}{9}$. [*Reg.* 63.]

Jeremiah Kersheys wife of Wyk was delivered of a child on Saturday night feb. 8. 167 $\frac{8}{9}$, dyed on Munday night, buryed at Burstall on Wednesday feb. 12. [*Register*, p. 63.]

Mr Nettletons wife of Heaton was delivered on feb. 6. $167\frac{8}{9}$ of a daughter, dyed, was buryed at Deusbury March 17, 1678-9. [Page 63.]

William Prestons wife of lower place was brought to bed of two sons Jan. 19. $167\frac{8}{9}$, (his wife is Abraham Holts daughter). Both dead the latter buryed feb. 7. $7\frac{8}{9}$, a week after the former.

Mtris Gill of Carrhouse near Rotherham (daughter to Mrs. Horton of Sowrby) was delivered of a son March 14, $167\frac{8}{9}$.

Mtris Rooks of Rhodes Hall (Mr. Croslands daughter) was

delivered of a daughter on sabbath day at 2 a clock March 23, 167^{8}_{9}. [See p. 63.]

Susan Brig with child by Tim Stocks, he ran away refusing to marry her, was delivered and dyed immediately, Aug. 18. 79, Roger Stocks takes the child. [Page 63.]

Mtris Oates . . . . . buryed at Deusbury. [Page 63]

Mary, Samuel Listers wife of Overbriar was delivered of 2 children on friday night March 15, 1678, baptized by Mr Hovy on Lords day at home, March 17 Ester the elder born at 10 a clock, Elizabeth the younger at 2 a clock in the night blessed be god.

John Stevensons wife (Susanna) was brought to bed of a son June 7, 1678, about 6 a clock in the morning, the child very weak dyed at 11 a clock the same day buryed June 9 lords day.

I have observed that this year 1684 hath been mortal to several women in child-bearing.

1 Esther wife to Mr. Holmes, daughter of Anne Northend was buryed at Halifax and took her child with her May 11. 84.

2 Sarah wife of Abraham Ashworth of Warley travelled a week, took her child with her, buryed at Halifax May 25, 84.

3 Mtris Rich of Bulloughs a young woman lay in of the 3d child, had a sore cough, dyed, was buryed at Rotheram June 12, 1684.

4 Mtris Ear(n)shaw of York was in sore labour, had her child pull'd from her by piecemeal, dyed at last, left a sad husband, june 1684.

5 Mr Micael firths wife of Height near Ripponden was buryed at Ealand Dec. 10. 1684

6 Another at Sowrby (whose name I have forgot) buryed there about that time.

7 Isaiah Waterhouse wife of Shelf travelled a week of the first child, its thought she had two, took them both with her into the grave, buryed Dec. 21, 1684, I prayed with her Dec. 20.

8 I was told this day Dec. 26. that J. H. was at a church where he travelled where there was 5 women buryed on one day of child-bearing this (if true) is remarkable.

Several women have born double births of late, more then I have heard in the time—this is feb. 7. 167^{8}_{9}.

1 Thomas Walkers wife (Mary Mellen formerly). [See page 30.]

2 Mr Samuel Listers wife. [See *ante.*]
3 Thomas Gills wife (Grace). [See p. 30.]
4 William Prestons wife. [See *ante.*]
5 Benjamin Boys of Halifax, oyl-drawer, his wife was delivered of two children on Munday Feb. 3. 167^{8}_{9} both buryed at Halifax Feb. 18. 167^{9}_{8}.
6 A woman in the lower end of Halifax bore two children the same week, she and both of them dyed shortly.
7 Sr Walter Hawksworths lady being with child and affrighted with her husbands causing his men to shoot off pistols close to the house, travelled and brought forth two children Dec. 1678.
8 Sarah wife to John Jackson of Halifax was delivered of 2 daughters one on friday Oct 31, the other on Saturday 10 a clock Nov. 1. 79, both living, blessed be god.
9 A woman in Northourum called A travelled was delivered of 2 children, base begotten, fathered them on a marryed man whose wife at the same time lay in child-bed, this is Nov. 31, 1679, oh dreadful.
10 Robt Gleadhils wife of Horbury was delivered of 2 children and within 2 houres after breathed her last, dyed was buryed to his great grief May 1680. The children called Mercy and Icabod, the one dead since.
11 Mr Gilbert Brooksbanks wife (John Brearcliffs daughter) had a son and daughter at Ealand Nov. 25, 1680, the one dead.
12 Mr Elkanah Hickson's wife was delivered of 2 daughters Jan 168^{0}_{1}, called Edith and Martha, baptized by Mr. Sharp in Leeds.

There have been several sudden deaths of late yeares, most I have not taken notice of formerly, till of late being multiplyed I cannot passe without a remark.

1 Prudence the wife of John Scot of Lee brig by Halifax was at my house on Lords day well eat her breakfast well on munday morning, dyed that night being 1678.
2 Mary Wood. [See page 56.]
3 Henry Wadsworth . . . . buryed in his own garden at Kershey-house April 10, 78. A little before, his brother Tim. Wadsworth dyed suddenly. [See page 56.]
4 John Bottomley of Deaf mill by Hipperholm dyed suddenly May 2, 1678. [Page 56.]

5 Daniel Mitchel, 6 Will. Sanderson. [Page 57.]
7 James Smith. [Page 58.] 8 Joseph Wormwell Nov. 1678. [Page 58.]
9 Christopher Ramsden and son George, 1678. [Page 58.]
10 John Reddihough found dead in his bed. [Page 58.]
11 a young woman servant to Will. Walker, Dec. 21. 1678. [Page 62.]
12 Nathaniel Webster, talkt heartily at 8 a clock dead before ten, Dec. 26, 1678. [Page 63.]
13 Will. Thorps wife of View-trees in Lightliff was wel and dead in 5 houres Jan 13. $167\frac{8}{9}$.
14 Mtris Waterhouse was as wel as she had been of several yeares, as she went to bed sd she was sick. [P. 63.]
15 Mr Etherington minister of Sowerby. [P. 63.]
16 Jonas Rushworths wife, as wel and merry as ever in her life. [P. 63.]
17 Micael Colbecks wife of Warley was baking oat-cakes on friday Aug. 1. 79, fell down suddenly, never spoke after, yet lived miserably till next day — a drunken prophane woman.
18 one a poor man in Ealand on Lords day night July 20, 79, was walking in the street well, within half an hour was found dead in a chair in his house having put off his cloths to his shirt ready to goe to bed.
19 a man in Huthersfield came out of the field, askt his wife to make him a possit, drunk a little of it, presently dyed about the same time.
20 A poor man bathing in the sulphur well near Knarsborough, mending of his disease, bad them heat the water hotter, swelted away and dyed July 1679.
21 Widow Cordingly of Hightown was wel on Saturday as I passed by, July 19, and at sunset dyed suddenly that night, was buryed on Tuesday July 22.
22 Rich. Kershaw in Halifax was well and thatching one day, dead the next, Sept. 4. 1679.
23 Mr Hulme Schoolmaster at Newton-heath was teaching his schollars Sept. 4. 1679, fell down, dyed suddenly, he was a notable schoolmaster, but aged about 70. [p. 74.]
24 Robert the only son of Robt. Ramsden of Stony royd near Halifax was coming home from Hal. on thursday evening Oct. 9. 79, fell down in a palsey in their own field, maid

spyd one lying, thought it had been one drunk nor came to him, he was stark dead, buryed Oct. 13. 1679. [See page 74.]

25 John Issot Sept 23. 1679. [See p. 60.]

26 Jonas Rhodes . . . lived about a week, yet stupid Sep. 29. 1679. [See p. 60.]

27 Mr Daniel Greenwood son to Jo. Greenwood of Sowrby parson of Steeple Ashton in Oxfordshire, rid 5 miles from home Oct. 14. 79, fel into fainting fits, dyed within half an hour, aged 53, a good preacher, left 500 li a year, 5 children.

28 Mr John Thorsby of Leeds dined at Wakefield, Oct 30, 79, was very hearty and wel, came home wel, near bedtime sd. he had a pain behind his neck, bade his maid rub it, she did, he went to bed, but in the morning was found dead in his bed, a notable usefull man, aged 56.

29 Jonathan Crowthers wife of Northourum having been distempered, yet walked out on munday Nov. 24. 1679, was found fallen in the fold, they carryed her in, she spake not, but had her mouth open, eyes shut, as dead yet lived till thursday Nov. 27, aged 66.

30 Grace Bolton (daughter to Joseph Bolton) of Warley, a choyce young woman, was at my house on Lords day, hearty, wel on Wednesday Jan. 14. begun that night with stitches held her till friday morning, then dyed Jan. 16, 1679-80, buryed Jan. 19, aged 24.

31 John Brigs wife of Strange in this town of Northourum having been melancholy (4 yeares) yet sometimes better went to Halifax on friday March 5, bought 2 peniworth of poyson of Th. Pr. Apothecary saying it was to kill lice in 2 oxen, the day after March 6, 1679-80, took it, dyed presently, she had born 11 children, aged above 50.

32 Isabel a young woman that was tabled at William Ellis house (my Taylors) in Halifax went wel to bed on Saturday night April 17, was found dead in the morning, its thought of an Apoplexy buryed on tuesday.

33 That very day April 18, 1680, being Lords day at night a man in Halifax leaning over the church wall fell ill, was carryed into his own house, dyed immediately.

34 John Philip of Boulin having been a great drinker all his days (brother to Martha Hanson,) was drinking with Mr. Paulden, who bade him doe as he did, i.e. drink in the day

and goe home and sleep at night, but he stayd, went from one alehouse to another, at last came to Wibsey bankfoot, where two women keep brandy to sel, wch he drunk with colliers, clapt both his hands on his head saying I have hated a whore al my life, immediately shuttered down, gave up the ghost, was carryed home in a blanket, this was on Wednesday Apr. 21, buryed friday at Bradford Apr. 23, 1680, oh dreadful.

35 Joseph Oates of Wibsey told me May 3. 1680, that about a year before, his mother was working in her house and in good health and al on a sudden she crudled down out of her chair, and dyed forthwith, his father dyed the Micaelmas following.

36 at Sr Walter Hauksworths of Hauksworth playing (as tis said) at tennis-ball on Lds day April 23, 1680, a servant or steward of his catching at the ball, another hit him, he fell down dead, spake no more, oh for a conviction !

37 Mr Dawson having been at Leeds told me of another as sudden death there about the same time but forgot the particulars.

38 John Oates of fold was at the funeral of his brother on friday April 30, sickened on Lords day night, dyed on Wednesday morning buryed on friday May 7, 80, aged 65.

39 Martha Jackman (whose husband Wm. Jackman of Halifax dyed sadly a little before) went to bed about 9 a clock on wednesday night May 12, 1680, and was dead before 12 of a palsey, aged near 50, she had a fit or two some yeares before.

40 Ester Starkey was struck with a palsey that very day at Halifax, May 12, 1680, lived till friday morning, but never spake nor was sensible, then dyed.

41 J Myers of Leeds was coming on June 24, 1680, to visit his uncle at Southourum, being a holiday, laid him down, swelted, dyed almost at Southourum, some hay-makers saw him, but helpt him not.

42 Ralph Paulard (commonly calld Chambers) went well to his work at the hay June, and the day after was carryed down the same street to be buryed at Halifax.

43 Samuel Firths wife of Hungeril was well and hearty, eat her dinner on July 9, 1680, dead before night, so I heard a woman say to another that day passing through Halifax.

44 Abraham Hargreavs wife of Luddenden (an honest man)

dyed suddenly as she was baking bread, laying on a cake, fell down dead, Aug. 1680.

45 John Firth a poor man in Halifax, threshed for Dr. Hook on munday Octob. 18, was dead on Tuesday Octob. 19. 1680.

46 Susan Hopkinson of Harwood-wel was hearty and wel on Lords day Oct. 24. 1680, dyed suddenly in her bed that night.

47 James Highly of Highly near Sowrby dyed suddenly on his bed in an instant, tho some say he was not wel in the afternoon, a rich man, near 80, buryed at Sowrby Oct. 29. 1680.

47 Widow Robuck in Burton parish dyed of 2 or 3 hours sicknes Nov. 1680.

49 Mr Rookby an ancient minister preacht on Lords day July 1680, eat his supper wel, was found dead in his bed in the morning.

50 Widow Beverly of Sowrby went to bed pretty well having eat her supper on Saturday night Jan. 15. 80-1, was found dead in her bed in the morning, buryed at Sourby Jan. 19. aged 78.

51 Mtris furnasse (my good friend) widow to Mr Tobias furnasse, minister at Bury, dyed in Manchester feb. 1680-1, fel down on her floor, was taken up dead, aged 77. [See page 74.]

52 John Smith of Ardsley, Beerseller, having a wife of late delivered of childbed, she had been tollerable, got them their dinner &c, at 5 a clock told her husband she was worse, put off her cloths, went to bed, vomited blood, was choaked and dyed before 6 a clock lords day May 1, 1681, I being there at that time.

53 They told me of 3 that dyed suddenly at or about Kirkburton and other 3 near Heptonstall, but the circumstances I have forgotten, and their names.

54 George Touns wife near Kings Crosse dyed suddenly in her bed june 5, 1681.

55 Justice Hartly of Strangeways near Manchester rode up and down his fields on Lords day night dyed the morning after June 13, 1681. [Page 74.]

56 Widow Gudgeon near Sowrby bridg baked, eat her breakfast, went out to make hay, hearty wel, fell forwards, dyed forthwith, buryed Wednesday Aug. 10. 1681.

57 Widow Becket by Mr Cottons was well and hearty overnight but was found dead on her hearthstone in the morning Oct. 25, 1681.

58 Mr Faburn vicar of Rodwel was found dead in his bed Dec 24, 1681.

59. Widow Whitly of Rushworth dyed in her way to Halifax as was thought of an impost, falling off horse.

51 [error in numbering] Grace the wife of Samuel Midgly of Dean house in Shelf complained of a pain in her shoulder, laid her on her bed, rose up went to the wheel, by that time she had winded half-a-score spooles, fell down, gave up the ghost, giving 3 sobs, thursday feb. 23. buryed at Halifax feb. 25, 168½, aged 47.

52 James Dickinson of Suckton head in Northourum went to Halifax on Saturday May 6, 1682, pretty well tho old, about 80, as he walked the street from Dr Mauds staggered, a woman got hold of him, kept him from falling, got a chair, set him in it, by that time he was carryed into an house, expired

53 Captain Parker of Extwisel in Lanc. having lived a year at Manchester for his health, though pretty well, went to stool, bade them get dinner ready, there broke a vein, fel to bleeding, dyed, kept 3 weeks, buryed at Burnley June 22, 1682, sumptuous funerall, he was a justice of peace

54 Mr John Jolly (brother to Mr Thomas) a worthy Nonconformist minister, living at Gorton near Manchester, having been at a private fast june 16, 1682, came home eat his supper, was seized on with a palsey, dyed the next day, buryed on munday June 19, 1682, a great losse to the church and family, leaving a wife and 6 little children. Lord sanctify, fill up. [See p. 74.]

55 James Sharps wife of Woodhouse near Wibsey was well and dead in an hour or therabouts July 22, 1682.

56 James Sharp (her husband) was found hangd by himself in his barn Sept. 1. 1682, had been disconted [sic] at his wives death, his knees might have touched the ground, his estate forfeited to Mr Rooks, as Lord, 40 li a year, land, its an astonishing providence.

57 Mtris Lomax wife to Mr Rich. Lomax of Bury, he being dead, lived with Mr. Bamford of Bamford that marryed his daughter, after sermons at Heywood chappel, getting on horseback mist footing, slipt down, scarce spake after, dyed on Tuesday night, fal was Sept 24, death on Sept 26, buryed 29, 1682, aged 76.

58 Mr Baraclough of Brookfoot, a great drinker, was drinking with his companions Oct. 1682, would needs drink off a pint of brandy at once but it choakt him, he dyed immediately after, was buryed at Halifax.

59 Arthur Garner (brother to Mr. Alex. Norris) in Bolton fallen to decay was arrested by R. Lomax of Bury for debt going towards Lon. (?) desired liberty to goe into an house, sd. he was not well, desired something to sup of, they went but he dyed instantly June 1682, they sd his heart was burst.

60 John Reiners wife of Blackwel-hall near Wakefield was well in the morning wn her husband went to Topliff (both being members of that church) was dead before one a clock that day, this was Oct. 1. 1682, a good woman.

61 One A Tattersal a woman in Warley unmarried, yet about 50 went to see her sister, was well, lookt white, sd if I be not better I am come to take my end with you, sd little more but dyed shortly at 11 a clock that night was buryed at Halifax Nov. 2. 1682.

62 John Rooks in Burstal parish had been abroad, his daughter was marryed that day at Ardsly, was wel, sd he was hungry, eat, took a pipe, sd he was sick, fainted as he walkt on the floor, dyed out of hand, Sept. 31. 1682.

63 Henry Richardson in Ovenden wood, an old man, was felling an apple tree, hearty wel, came in sd. he was not wel, and dead in lesse than an hour, this was friday Nov. 3. 1682.

64 Henry Smith of Carlton-moor at Kighly drinking with some gentlemen at Jo. Learoyds on Wednesday night, Nov. 15. 1682, ranting, singing, shouting, leaned forward, froth coming out of his mouth, immediatly dyed, drunk: his brother Jo. Smith was drowned that time twelve month.

65 the same day another Henry Smith near Ealand felling a tree, it being about to fall, called to his son to get away, out of danger, he run away, but a bough turned it on the old man, crusht him to death.

66 William Rous and his wife coming home at Milnes brig Nov. 22. 82, horse stumbling she fell off was dragged by the foot dreadfully, dyed on Saturday Nov. 25.

67 James Smith of farsely and his wife went well to bed friday night Nov. 24. '82, she fell into a swoon, about 11 a clock, ruttled, mouth drawn awry, had her eyes fixt, yet recovered

a little, but betwixt 7 and 8 o'clock in the morning another fit came, snatcht her away, was buryed at Calverly Nov. 27. '82.

68 Walter Speight an old man at Spenne in Burstal parish seized with a palsey on Sabboth day Nov. 26. 82, speech gone and dyed on Wednesday Nov. 29, '82, aged 82.

69 Sir John Brights lady whom he had lately marryed this summer dyed very suddenly in her journey from London Nov. 1682. [See p. 74.]

70 Mary Bently dyed suddenly at her daughter Judiths in Moorfield parish, eat her supper, took her pipe, went to bed, gave a groan, dyed March 11, $8\frac{2}{3}$.

71 William Rhodes that lived with his son James Rhodes at Mountain was hearty well and at Coley chappel, Lords day, when he came home at night, bad the lad pull off his coat, sd it sticks by a pin, fell down stark dead, never spake more word, this was Sept. 9. 1683, aged 70.

72 — Emmaut of Emmaut in Lanc. near Coln had been abroad, and having no wife lay with his son who in the night turning to his father put his arm over him, felt him cold, called him, had no answer, found that he was dead, this was in Aug. 1683.

73 Scicely Stocks of Halifax was wel and dead in a quarter of an hour Sept. 27. 1683, aged 70.

74 Widow Ellison of hill-top by Bramley (mother to Sam. Ellison) went into the parlour to make her bed, fell down dyed, was well and dead in a quarter of an hour, Dec. 1683, aged 76.

75 one Thomas Swain of Cottingly rose well of a good while went to a thresher in the barn, told him of a cold he got at Andres fair, walkt into the fields, returning was taken suddenly, leaned on a yate, could get no further, they fetcht him on horseback, dyed at Jo. Hollins before they could get him home, this was Jan. 11. buryed at Bingly Jan. 13. 1683-4.

76 James Bolton of Warley a fresh lusty old man (brother to Joseph Bolton, of Mr Robert Boltons kinred of Blackburn in Lan.) was hearty, well, and busy working yesterday, is dead this morning which is feb. 21. $168\frac{3}{4}$, he wound spoyles and eat his breakfast heartily that morning, and was laid out before 10 a clock forenoon that day.

77 One Gray (Rich. Grays daughter) living at Northowrum was found dead in her bed on Munday morning March 17, $168\frac{3}{4}$, R. C. broke the door she having now hid herself and child in the house.

78 Jonathan Darnel of farnworth (a godly man) in Lancashire harrowing on Saturday, dyed Sabbath daynight, March 30, 1684

79 Mr Garside of Ratchdal (a great man and steward of Ld. Berons court there) went to York to be marryed and that very morning that the marriage was to be (within 2 hours) he dyed, wch was Jan. 1. $168\frac{3}{4}$, met with a greater change of condition then his marriage, it was astonishing. [Page 74.]

80 One ——— of Kildwick in Craven had been at Kighly fair and as he came home was found dead leaning upon a gate Nov. 1684.

81 John Sutliffes daughter a lusty young woman of 18 years old, was healthful, taking a pot off the fire, fell down dead in this township of Northourum Nov. 8. 1684.

82 John Walkers wife of Scoles in Burstal parish (was nearly well on Lords day, munday) and begun with a pain in her shoulder, went into her ear, walkt about till tuesday noon, dyed on thursday decem. 25. 1684, buryed Saturday Dec. 27. left 9 children.

interval while in Y. C. [York Castle.]

83 Mr Oliver : 1686. [See page 74.]

84 Mtris Elizab Andrews dyed on Lords day of Apoplexy, was not sick 24 houres, in May 1686.

85 One Hulmes an huckster, an old man, going down Shiven after his horse fell down dead instantly July 23, 1686.

86 One Roper at Athrisgate in this township of Northourum on Lords day Jan. 15. $168\frac{6}{7}$ had been in the chamber fetching meal, which she had bought in order to kneading to bake the day after, fell down on the floor suddenly and gave up the ghost, buryed on Wednesday at Halifax Jan. 18. $8\frac{6}{7}$.

87 Richard Heaworth of Sowrby a wright was working for Mr. Deerden in Norland on friday feb. 18. $168\frac{6}{7}$ fel ill heartcholick called of R. K. dyed before noon next day, was buryed at Sowrby feb. 23.

88 Mtris Clay of Clayhouse was well and taking meal out of the pot and dropt down dead suddenly on Saturday April 16, 1687. [See page 74.]

89 One a workman at Isaac Waterhouses in Washerlane by Kin-crosse went very well to bed was found dead in the morning, Aug. 12. 1687, the workmen in the dyehouse heard a groan, but —. [See page 74, in error.]

90 Mr George Thornhil of fixby Justice of peace, rode out to the moor with his man Aug. 11. was seized on violently with griping of guts, fel down, his body broke, dyed after they got him home, buryed at Ealand Aug. 19. 87, left 9 children his wife big of the 10th. [Page 74.]

91 Mary Hudson widow went on Wednesday Dec. 28. 87, to her son Jerem. at Coley-hall, was well, hearty dryed some cloths there, want to bed wel, begun at 12 a clock to be ill, dyed before 9 a clock next morning, I was at her funeral Jan. 2. aged 83.

92 Mr. James Leaver of Bolton in Lanc. had been abroad in Little Leaver, &c, came home, was reaching for a book ; fell down dead suddenly feb. $168\frac{7}{8}$. [Page 74.]

93 one Heaward of Sowrby was well in the morning at 9 a clock, dead by 4 a clock feb $168\frac{7}{8}$. [? If same person as 87.]

94 two daughters of John Holdsworths . . . . buryed at Halifax March 26, 1688, a sad sight. [Page 74.]

95 Mr Turner (a gentleman near Doncaster of £700 a year). [p. 74.]

96 Mr Hammond Rhodes walkt on foot to Esq. Woombels of Woombel felt himself not well, would lye down, they thought he had been asleep, found him dead, Aug, '88, he was a conformist preacher. [Page 74.]

97 Mr Robert Leaver . . . . . buryed at Bolton, 1688, an hours sicknes [p. 75.]

98 Mr Boardman. 1688. [p. 75.]

99 Robt Hanson. 1688. [p. 75.]

100 William Bins that lived at Landimar Syke in Northourum was a going to bed as wel as he had been a long time immediately in an instant fainted away dyed Nov. 16. buryed at Halifax Nov. 18. 88, aged 82. [p. 75.]

101 Mr Sandal vicar of Cawverly was as well as he was wont to be, but seized on with a palsey in the night, that he could not speak, dyed the next morning, buryed there Nov. 12. 88, aged 68. [p. 75.]

102 John Balms wife of Sickerlane in Bowlin was well, milkt,

did her things, seized on suddenly sitting in her chair, dyed Dec. 17. 1688, aged 66.

103 Joseph Booths wife of Gilstead was well healthful on munday night Dec. 31. and a good part of the night, dyed in the morning Jan. 1. 1688

104 Cozen Nath. Heywoods wife dyed in child bearing at Brinscols, left a Benjamin, Jan. 9. $168\frac{7}{8}$.

105 John Bently living 30 years at David Brigs was well, dead in a quarter of an hour, eat his breakfast, went to weave, dyed before he had woven a spoyle, dyed in loomes, Jan. 10. 88 buryed at Halifax Jan. 12.

106 Lister a smith in great Horton was wel, docking an horses tayl, dyed with it in his hand Jan 10, 88.

107 David Pennigtons wife of godly went to Halifax on Saturday June 22, 89, taken suddenly in the street, carryed into a shop, dyed forthwith, buryed June 24. 89.

108 Mr Henry Swift . . . . well and dead in 24 houres. [p. 75.]

109 Edward Bury went out of his house on wednesday towards evening with an hatchet to fell a tree at Woodhouse by Brighous, came not in again, was found dead in the morning Jan. 30. 89-90, aged near 80.

110 Joseph Caddy of Halifax was twice at Church on Lords day, up and down town on Monday, dyed before morning buryed on Wednesday March 19. 1689-90.

111 Anne Bairstow in Northourum township (sister to Martha my old maid), and 112, Oswald Tenants wife. [Page 75.]

113 Mr Wright, Steward &c [see p. 75], was at Mr Cottons on Wednesday, abroad on thursday that night dyed in his bed of an hours warning. Mr Cotton told me.

114 Mathew Scatcher of Morly an old man well and hearty on Saturday, dyed on Lords day July 6. 1690, buryed on Tuesday, a rich man.

115 William Lepton of Pudsey a very fat man was well and dead in half an houres time, buryed there Aug. 10. 1690, aged 55.

116 A son of Mr Richardsons of Newel in Boulin dyed very suddenly, buryed at Bradford Aug. 25. 1690, a schollar about 16 years of age.

117 Samuel Wardman [p. 75] got up early on Saturday morning to goe to Halifax market, saddled foddered his horse,

boyled himself some milk, his wife rose within half-an-hour after he spoke to her, found him dead in the kitchen,buryed Dec. 2. at Halifax.

118 J. T. told me this day that one John Drivers wife of Denham was well, singing her child, askt the servant to take it, went out dyed instantly, another of 2 years old came running in sd my mams dead ; husband was gone to Bingly, was troubled, turned, came home, found her dead, March 12, 9^0_1

119 Mr John flavil [p. 75.] having been at a meeting of Agreemt. of dissenting ministers was going to write a letter to Mr M. Mead dropt down dead, its said of a transport of joy.

120. Mtris Whitaker, 1691. [p. 75.] 121. Mr May, 1691. [p. 75.]

122 J. Learoyds son of *Kighly* : 1691. [p. 75.]

123 Mr Coniers of Leeds inkeeper well and dead in 2 houres April 19, 1692.

124 Thomas Paulard [p. 63.]

125 A servant maid at John Stancliffs at Bayly Hall by Halifax, dined, eat well, went to cloths hedge in backside, stayd long, they found her dead of an impost Oct 12, 92, buryed Oct. 14. [p. 63.]

125 A man of Okenshaw this morning viz Oct 31. 92, came to Dr Richardson of Biarly, was getting on horseback, immediatly fell down dead. Widow Hodgson yt saw him told me this day. [p 63.]

126 John Dickson . . . . [p. 63.] was in his shop most of Saturday, Dec. 31, 92, and in street, was taking a pipe of tobacco, complained of headake, sate him down in his house, grew worse, sent for J. Hargreaves to make his will, but dyed before that was done.

127 John Baraclough near Okenshaw, Jan 17. $169\frac{2}{3}$. I was in the neighbourhood the day following. [p. 63.]

128 Joseph Galkroger of Sowrby-dean had been at Halifax Jan. 21, $9\frac{2}{3}$, as he rode home fell ill, light at Josiah Stansfields, got him to make his will, died there that day, could not be got home. [p. 63.]

129 Ms Esther Lister of Shipden-hall went as well to bed (as her husband told me this day) Jan. 26. $9\frac{2}{3}$, at 4 a clock in the morning he put his arm over her, found her cold, called

the maids, she was dead, buryed this day Jan 30. 9⅔, aged 60, had not been well. [p. 63.]

130 George Boyl . . . went with an heifer . . . gave 2 or 3 groans, buryed at Halifax May 11. 1693. [p. 63.]

131 The wife of Mr. Michael Gargreave. [p. 63.]

132 Mtris Hatfield . . . Sept. 2. 1693, writ a letter to her daughter Ibison, walkt in the garden, went into her chamber, they found her dying, buryed munday Sept. 4. '93. [p. 63.]

133 Mr Robt Chadwick, a religious man, having been to see a tenant coming in Stangeways walks near Manchester fel down dead Sept. 4. 1693. Chronours quest went on him. [p. 63.]

134 James Kighly [p. 63.] pain in his breast.

135 Ralph Idle [p. 64.] born beyond York.

136 James Kighly. [p. 64.]

137 Mr Thornton, 1694, lived at Morton-bank. [p. 64.]

138 Peter Heywood [p. 64] . . . in the lane by my fathers house, dyed forthwith, never speaking word on Apr. 23, 1694. I preacht the funeral sermon at Bolton.

139 John Kitson. [p. 64.]

140 Jeremiah Marsdens wife, my near kinswoman. [p. 64.]

141 Nathanael Charlesworth (one of our society) 1694. [p. 64.]

142 Martha Viccars, buryed April 15. [p. 64.]

143 John Clark, (William Clarks son). [p. 64.]

144 My cozen Nathaniel Heywood of Ormskirks wife was brought to bed of a son Apr. 1695, baptized by S. A. that day fortnight, he feasted his friends on friday, greatly rejoyced &c. [p. 64.]

145 Richard farrars wife . . . . feast at Carlton near Otly, 1695. W. J. told me of it the day following [p. 64.]

146 Old widow Banks [p. 64.] . . was busy making hen meat, bid a lasse stieve it while she did somewt else, buryed at Burstall Sept. 4. 1695. M. N. was at funerall.

147 Mtris Langly [p. 64.] her daughter Deykin askt her wt. she would have she bid her make her a possit, but before it was made she was dead, 1695. I dined with her a little before.

148 John Bairstows wife, 1695. [p. 64.]

149 Robert Leach. [p. 64.]

150 Robert Bell tabled at John Broadlys in Halifax, one of the waits in Halifax, went to bed well May 12, 1696 fell ill (of

cholick as was judged) dyed before the Dr. came to him, born at Cockermouth. [p. 64.]

151 two women of Bradford dyed suddenly July 20, and 21, 1696. [p. 64.]

152 Dr Illingworth (so called from his pretended skill in physick) a schoolmaster, 1696. [p. 65.]

153 M. Wainwright . . . 1696, as my son John writes from Pontfret, he was one of his hearers, members. [p. 65.]

154 Andrew Hartlys wife, $169\frac{6}{7}$: 5 trippets. [p. 65.]

155 *Joshua* Walker of Bingly my good friend . . . buryed at Bingly Apr. 15. 1697. [p. 65.]

156 Mr Samuel Ibison of Leeds rid on the way with his brother in law Mr Hatfield of Hatfield when was at Hunslet he sd. take me off my horse, they did so, sate him in a chair, shortly after dyed, this was Sept. 3. 1697. (p. 65.]

157 Widow Ambler, buryed at Halifax Oct. 4. 1697, Isaac Amblers mother. [p. 65.]

158 Judith Drake of Northourum, she had fits like falling sicknes, a pious woman of our society. [p. 65.]

159 Mr William Green . . . a very rich man 400li a year, much mony, buryed at Burstall $169\frac{7}{8}$. [p. 65.]

160 Ester Scolcroft my sister Hanna's daughter. [p. 65.]

161 Dennis Hagues wife of Honly was well and talking on friday March 18, $169\frac{7}{8}$, immediately fell down dead before her husband could get off his loomes weaving, Jo. Armitage told me this day being March 20. '98.

162 Mary Courley that kept a coffee-house in Halifax went on Lords day to hear Mr. Nath. Hough at Huthersfield July 24, 98, was well all day, as she came home fell sick, light at Nich. Cozens, dyed there at 10 a clock was buryed at Halifax July 26, 98.

163 Timothy Buckly that lived by Halifax church rung 5 a clock bell every morning, mowed al day at Robert Ramsdens, Stonyroid on tuesday July 4. 1699 was dead that night before 10 a clock. Mr. Jos. Hall told me.

164 Mr Robt Ramsden of Stonyroid near Halifax had been lamish, but very hearty, that night at one a clock Hanna his maid went to him, askt him how he did, he sd well, at 4 a clock found him dead . . . buryed Sept. 26. 1699, near 70. [pp. 65 and 97.]

165 Nathan fernisides wife of Cleaton workt all day Dec. 22, 1699, milkt, washt dishes, at night was dead. Isaac Soniers wife her neighbour told me, Dec. 29.

166 Mr Saniford . . . . bid his man help him off his horse Mr Sam Thorp marryed his daughter *immediately before.* [p. 65.]

167 The Clark . . . 1699-1700. [p. 65.]

168 One . . . in Warley as he was walking in the way to visit his sister leand on a yate, dropt down, dyed on Saturday Jan. 27 1699-1700. I was told of these two sudden deaths at Halifax Jan. 29. being at the funeral of Samuel Nickol. [See page 98.]*

169 Richard Hepworth (once milner at Shipden mill) now at Boulin mill went well to bed on Saturday night was found dead in bed Lords day morning feb. 11. 1699-1700, known to most of us.

170 A woman in the same house dyed suddenly March 6, 1700.

171 Old Widow Godly of Warly was well making her bed, laid down cloaths on the floor, fell down on them and was found dead March 5, 1700.

172 Barnabas Ward of Holdworth dyed of two hours pain March 29, 1700.

173 One . . . . Clayton fell down dead as he was going home from the funeral of Mr. Rich Green, Lords day March 31, 1700.

174 Joshua Whitehead chandler of Halifax came hearty and merry through the shambles, sate down in his house, complained of a lump in his breast, his breath stopt he was gone in 3 quarter of hours time tuesday July 16, buryed at Halifax July 19, 1700, a lusty man, it was judged to be an imposture.

175 Judith Brigge a poor melancholy woman was found dead in her bed on Saturday July 27, 1700, stifled with flegme out of her mouth.

176 Judith Worrell of Halifax fell down on the floor suddenly, dyed at Cock in Halifax Oct. 15. 1700, heard the same day.

177 . . Wright [crossed off,] of Shipley field went to bed well on friday night feb. 21. 1700-1, was dead before 11 a clock that night.

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* The references in brackets are to the "Northowram Register."

"Vellum" Note Book.

In addition to the numerous entries of births, marriages, and deaths, (already copied), the "Vellum Book with one clasp" contains the following memoranda :—

March 8, $167\frac{7}{8}$ Daniel Sharp set that inscription over our door O. A. H. Ebenezer.

On Munday morning July 15, 1678, Rogr. Stocks pulld down the end of my house, made chimney, door in meeting-place, finisht it on Saturday night July 20. Chimney set Aug. 1. Barn mosst Oct. 22. 78.

He that drinks wine must have (1) snow upon his beard, (2) feet in his hands, (3) eyes in his pocket.

(1) Magistrates are the armes of ye world, (2) Councellours the braines, (3) Lawyers the tongues, (4) the rich the stomachs, (5) the poor the backs, (6) merchants the feet, (7) officers the hands, and (8) divines the hearts.

The weather in August, Sept, 1678, hath been extraordinary dry and hot for a month or 6 weeks togather, ways dusty, springs dryed up, pastures [burnt], till Sept 20, 1678, then it rained. About Nov. 30, the frost began and though it thawed a little sometimes yet it kept freezing, and sometimes snow falling till this summer. Most of the dogs about us went mad, Mr Dawsons, Rob. Snawdens, Joseph Crowthers, Josh. Soyniers, John Stevensons, mine, &c; this is July 12, 1679.

The weather this winter hath been exceeding boysterous, windy, stormy, though little frost and snow, however when frost came (wch was about thrice, and never continued a week of all winter), but dreadful stormes of wind and rain, the ground wet that people could not plow and sow till about the middle of March, but then it pleased god to send such pleasant weather as was never known so long togather in the memory of man. It begun on friday March 19, $16\frac{79}{80}$, it continued the rest of that moneth, clear aire, pleasant sunshine, from sunrise to sunset, not a drop of rain (only through excessive heat on Thursday March 25, it thundred, lightened, but no rain with us), the mornings dewy, ground dryed, dust rose, people made their tilth easily, laboriosly and successefully, thus it continued 12 days with incredible serenity ; on March

31 a gentle dew, sweet rain fell on the earth wch watered oh how good is god to a sinful people !

Lent to Mr. frankland, Mr Durham upon the Revelat. others of my son's. Lent to Hannah Hodgson Mr Clarks martyrol. 2d part. Lent to Mr Dawson Salv. de provid. Lent to Martha Mitchel in Craven my father Angiers book of Help to better hearts for better times. James Oates of Norwood green hath Mr Boltons life and 4 last things, and Love of confession of Sin, &c. Tim. Holt hath Mr Liveseys great losse. Mr Dawson hath prospect of providence.

[All these loans are crossed out, except Love of Confession of Sins.]

I was weighed in the great scales at Brother Okeys in Bolton Sept, 27. 1680, and weighed twelvescore and five pound, which at 16 pounds to the stone comes to 16 stone 5 pound. My wife was weighed the same day and weighed fivescore and fifteen pound.

Gave my wife 4 li for necessary charges of my family Octob. 14. 1680. Gave her 5 li on the same account Nov. 26. 1680 having dispatcht former ; more Jan. 5 li:

Br. Thomas Heywood listed himself a souldier at Hull, under Capt. John Longden, set out towards Virginia Nov. 16. 1679.

Gave my wife other 5 li march 28, 1681, for family expences, gave her other 5 li, July 11. 1681, gave her other 5 li Sept 6, 1681, gave her other 3 li Nov. 14. '81, gave 1 li more Dec. 31. 81, gave my wife 3 Jan 5 li. Total 24 - 00 - 00.

Susanna Tilotson came to live with us as servant June 27, 1681.

I had my bay horse of James Crompton March 1, 1679.

Parted with my bay-horse being lame, exchanged for a great black horse, gave 4 li to boot, the black horse is 17 hands high, aged 5 yeares and half when I had him which was Octob. 9. 1682, bred on Carly-moor by Edward Greenhough. I had him of Cozen James Crompton.

I was weighed at Mr John Priestleys in York Aug. 20. 1681. I weighed 17 stone and a half ; my wife weighed 7 stone and a half. Weighed at Robt Milnes shop in Ratchdal, Septem. 26, 1682, weighed just 15 stone.

Kept my black horse above 6 yeares. Exchanged him for a

white mare with Henry Burkhead feb. 6. $168\frac{8}{9}$, she is 6 y. half old. Had my bay horse of John Hey May 7, 1689.

K. Edw. 6 motto on coyn was—Posui deum adjutorem meum. Qu. Elizabeths was the same.

K. James motto—Exurgat deus dissiventur inimici, after he came into Eng.—quæ deus conjunxit nemo seperet. King Charles the I—Christo auspice Regno.

May 5th, 1682, in the morning fell abundance of snow after excessive rain, it lay some houres on the earth.

Rich. Mitchel, John Hey, Mtris Barbara Lambert, Thomas Hey, Mary Hey his wife, Martha Mitchel, John Wilkinson, John Shaw, Mtris Isab. Carre, Elizab. Mitchel, Anne Bauldwin, Anne Cockshaw, James Brockden, Jane Hey.

[Query—if these are the names of the Craven congregation.]

Received the 3d of November 1679, of Mr. Robert Hickson the summe of fifty shillings p. order of Mr John Gunter as part of some mony designed to Nonconformist ministers, I say received—02—10—00.

Nov. 26. 1680 it began to freeze, continued freezing sharply, was little or no snow. Dec. 6 in the morning it seemed to thaw, snowed, but froze again by ten a clock, so continued, continued freezing till Jan. 7. 8^{0}_{1}: began to freeze Jan. 30 kept on freezing sharply, friday, feb. 4, fell abundance of snow, soe on Lords day night, munday was a deep snow, on wednesday and friday, feb 9 and 11, it blowd and snowed excessivly so that it was exceeding deep, little passage, but on Lords day feb. 13. 8^{0}_{1}, it fell a raining, blowing, sudden thawing that most of snow and frost were gone by monday night, a mighty flood, feb 14. 15. After that it was exceeding dry weather, in March, April, May, very hot the like hath not been known, people sowed but the ground was so hard that it was thought little came up, the excessive heat and drought continued, wch was judged an effect of that dreadful comet in Jan. and feb., waters dryed up, brookes and springs, so that it was said that in Craven they went 5 miles to water their cattle, much further in the South, grasse withered, mowing ground had little burden, corn grew yellow, its said many beasts dyed in Craven, they sent to people to fetch home their cattel, else they would be pined to death, corn rose in the markets to incredible rates from 15 sh to 30 in 2 market days,

great complaints there were among all, poverty was coming upon us like an armed man, gods hand was visibly out upon us, clouds grew black, it was very hopeful for rain many times, yet it drove off, and none came, and if any came it was so small a skattering that after it the grasse was scorched the more, the grasse upon the hay-ground went back, so that many fell to mowing to take what there was, lest all should be swithend away for they said there was more a fortnight before than there was then viz june 14, 1681, people begun to despair of rain. I saw the dreadfullest sights of bare pastures in my travels that ever my eyes beheld scarce any green thing left in fields. I saw both in Howarth parish and on towards Marsden the strangest fires upon the moores that have been known, burning up the heath and dry mossy earth many miles forward and could not be quenched. The beasts of the field begun to smart and feel the effects of gods anger, many strange incredible storys were told of many places, of an oxe speaking and saying wt should I plow for theres more corn sown than will be reaped : near Easingwood in Yorkshire. It is confidently and credibly reported that it rained wheat at Leicester in May, also near Ponfret, near Leeds, several quantitys were in many hands, but little solid nourishmt. therein. It pleased the Lord to stirre up the hearts of his people in all oppertunitys of fasting and prayer (and through his goodness we had many of them) to plead hard with the Lord for rain and at last when there was little hopes left on munday morning June 20, 1681 there came a thick mist and a wet day which continued a soaking gentle rain that day and tuesday, wednesday and several times after wch did wonderfully refresh the earth, feed the corne, cause grasse to spring, so that in a weeks time, it changed the face of the earth so strangely as I have never known.

This winter is as wet as the summer was dry, excessive rain several times, great floods, it was a mighty flood at the Sessions at Wakefield Jan. 13, 168½, and all along ground is excessive wet, it hath not been any frost but one night, Jan. 17, it froze keenly, but next night it fell a raining ; another night viz. Jan, 20, but it was a black frost and rained in the morning, no snow to lye a day upon the ground, but March 12, 168½, after much fair weather it fell a considerable snow, and munday morning it blew, snowed and drave

fearfully, great snow-drifts, but the sun brake out on Wednesday, thursday, friday, wch gently melted it (without rain or thaw) considerably.

Mr. Pemberton came to be vicar of Bradford Octob. 1677, came to settle the spring following, march 1678.

My son John went to teach school at Kirk Heaton on munday morning May 27, 1678.

I have taken notice that in this year, 1678, more persons have built and repaired their houses then I have known of many yeares before, or the year before 1677 :

1 Jer. Rosendal built James Philips house in Hipperholm, 1677.
2 John Hanson built and repaired his house in Shelf, 1678.
3 Michael Hoyl built part of John Holdworths house in Northourum, 1677.
4 Mr Dawson takes off slate, repairs his house at Dam-head, Aug. 1678.
5 Tho. Kitson builds and repairs John Woodheads house in Shelf, 1678.
6 Joseph Crowther having built much about his house finisht it 1678.
7 Willm Clay points, rigs, his house, several things at it, 1678.
8 Mr James Oates repairs Lands head and 14 tenants houses, 1677-8.
9 John Best hath pointed, metamorphosed his house at Landimer, another at Baly brig, 1678.
10 my house repaired, building a chimney, pointing, &c. Aug. 1678.
11 John Brooksbank in Shelf pointed his house &c, Au. 1678.
12 Mr Thorp of Sinderhills made gates, wals, &c. A. 1677
13 Rich Hoyl pointed Ed. Hudsons &c. Sept. 1678.

Joseph Crowther built his stately hall by Northourum green, went into it May 1692.

I bought my house in Northourum and two crofts of Benjamin Boys of Halifax, March 4, 167½ and paid 100 marks for them, i.e. 67li - 13sh - 4d. I removed to it from Coley-hall May 8, 1672, having received my licence for my preaching on the Saturday before viz, May 4, till now i.e, March 25, 1678 liberty is continued, blessed be god. laid out that summer for repaires,

	li	sh	d
viz-meeting place best chamber &c	11	- 00	- 04
this was June 13, 1672			
laid out for paving the house	01	- 05	- 00
and for the orchyard wall	03	- 00	- 00
for the wall in fold	01	- 00	- 00
for garden wall March 23, 1678	01	- 00	- 00
for stones to Mr Oates	00	- 12	- 06
to Roger Stocks for Mantel Stones	00	- 02	- 06
„ „ „ „ pipe stones, pavings ...	00	- 02	- 08
to Roger Stocks for weeks work	01	- 00	- 00
to Abraham Scot for house door	00	- 11	- 00
for work in meeting-house door	00	- 08	- 00
to John Rushworth for range bars	00	- 14	- 03
for nayles, bars, staples to J.R.	00	- 01	- 09
to Tim Stocks for hudstones &c...	00	- 01	- 10
this is Aug. 17. 1678.			
to Anth. Bairstow, plaisterer	00	- 03	- 10
to Josh. Walker for lime	00	- 03	- 10
to Roger Stocks topping orchard wal April 20. 79,	01	- 00	- 00
„ „ „ for garden wall stones, work a week, and pavings Mch. 15. 8^{0}_{1}	01	- 05	- 00
Arthur Hey for door, &c.	00	- 05	- 10
to Roger Stocks for wall on upper side of our croft, stones, work	01	- 14	- 00

Richard Leavers rent due to me at 24 of June, and 24 of Decemb. the bond made 1671, the summe is 4li a year, the terme is for 10 yeares until 1681, behind of his rent this June 24, 1678, the sum of 05li 12sh 00d. this is July 1678.

Miles Partinton and Ralph Leavers rent due to me May 1 and 29 of September, the lease made 1670, the sum is 6li for both parcels, 3li and a noble for what R. Leaver hath, 3li wanting a noble for what Miles Partinton hath that belonged to Scolcroft, the time expired 1683, term 13 yeares, nothing behind.

James Crompton of Walkmill his rent wch is 8li a year is to be paid at Micaelmas and Lady-day March 25, made May 1677, for 7 yeares, nothing behind this July 1678.

Bookes for my sons out of their grandfathers study :	...	...	...	...	...	09 - 05 - 00
Mr Sharpes	...	...	...	...	...	06 - 07 - 10
Mr Thorpes	...	...	...	...	...	00 - 03 - 06
with abatements	...	...	...	...	...	15 - 05 - 00
						li s d
I received of my hearers at my house An. Dom. 1678, the sum of	...	...	...	...	...	34 - 11 - 06
legacys and others abroad	...	...	...	...	...	34 - 13 - 05

Mr Clark in his 2d part of the marrow of Ecclesiastical history (1675) containeth the lives of [thirty-three names follow.]

Bookes printed 1677 Hillary term, feb. 18, 167$\frac{7}{8}$.

An Expos. of Cat. of Ch. of Engl. fol by Gabriel Towerson. the fathers legacy. Christianity no Enthusiasme, agt Quakers. Martyrologia, extract out of fox mart : by N.T. the pilgrims progresse from this world to that wch is to come by J. Bunyon. the young mans calling, sculptures, illustrating the historys. the seasons spiritual companion by Will Balmford. The scriptures genuine interpreter by J. Wilson. The reformed Samaritan, or worship of god by measures. practical christitianity. Christianus by Tho Grantham. the beleevers groan for heaven, at funeral of Sr Rich Houghton by Seth Bushel, D.D. the History of Baptisme. A christians walk and work on earth by Chr. Nesse. Angliæ Speculum.

Books I bought lately 1677-8.

Mr Pooles Synopsis Critic	...	...	...	07 - 00 - 00
Dr Castles Lexicon for Polygl. bible	...	...		03 - 00 - 00
Mr Baxters body of divinity	...	...	...	01 - 04 - 00
Mr Clarks Mirrour, 2 part	...	...	...	00 - 10 - 00
Le Blancs Theses, at York	...	...	...	00 - 16 - 00
Pet. Martyrs commonpl....	...	...	...	00 - 09 - 00
Mr Gales Court of god 1 & 2 pt		...	...	00 - 12 - 00
3 and 4 part of Gales Court	...	...	...	00 - 09 - 00
Lectures agt popery. Lond.	...	...	...	00 - 07 - 00
Owen of Justification	...	...	...	00 - 05 - 00
fulfilling of Scripture 2 parts	...	...	...	00 - 04 - 00
Rutherfords letters	...	...	...	00 - 03 - 00
Durham on Comts	...	...	...	00 - 02 - 00
Mr. Baxters Cath Theolog.	...	...	...	00 - 12 - 00
Dr Tuckneys lectures, given Dec. 30.	...		...	00 - 12 - 00

Interest of Reason in Relig.	...	...	...	00 - 01 - 04
Chrysost. on Rom.	...	...	...	00 - 02 - 00
Verstegan on Engl.	...	...	...	00 - 03 - 06
Melins Inquirendum	...	...	...	00 - 03 - 00
Hollis about Aps. sitting		...	...	00 - 01 - 00
Baxters Nonconf. plea	...	...	...	00 - 02 - 00
Burgesse of Original Sin		...	...	00 - 05 - 00
All Weeins works	...	...	...	00 - 11 - 00
All Caryl upon Job 8 vol.		...	...	02 - 00 - 00
Vincent, Assembl. Cat	...	...	...	00 - 01 - 00
Baxters concord	... ...	...	...	00 - 03 - 06
Baxters Ans. to Stillingf.		...	...	00 - 05 - 06
Baxters Methodus Theol.		...	...	00 - 18 - 00
Dr Bates Existence of God		...	...	00 - 03 - 06

My father Heywood left me to receive 50li from his land after 2 yeares after his decease, for 50 li wch was due to me on these accounts :

1 My brother Will Whitehead and Robt Crompton took up 30 li of my rents to discharge a debt to George Norris of Bolton in 6 yeares, owing by my father.

2 I paid 11li to cozen Thomas Hamar wch was a debt due to my uncle Peter Winstandley by my father in March 1678.

3 I have paid part and am to discharge to cozen Esther Hunt 8li wch was part of her portion wch my father had of her mothers, this 49li. I have paid her now all but 4li. Nov. 24. 79.

For returning of that to me he gave me a writing containing 100li to be paid to whom my father ordered it, to commence two yeares after my fathers death. Adam ferniside laid down 50li to my father, and hath the great master-field till his mony be paid, tho it be much better than the use of that money. My 50li commenced to be paid from March 1. $167\frac{8}{9}$ wch is 2 yeares after my fathers death till so much money be run off these lands.

1 My Cozen Willm Whitehead who lives in the great house and occupys as much land us he is to pay 8li a year for viz 8 acres, blackerhs, &c.

2 John Hulton living at Smithy hath Smithyfield, Kilbank, great master field for wch he is to pay 5li 10sh a year.

3 Richard Brook living in the Kitchin hath the medow inclosed at top 1li 10s a year for all.

Richard Brook gave me 30s for his whole yeares rent No. 24. 79.

Richard Brook hath taken my fathers house this year 1680, is to pay me 09li - 10sh - 00d.

Received from Cozen Will Whitehead towards my rent July 17. 79, from John Constantin his tenant in Craven the sum of 02li. 11sh. 00. Received from Rich. Mitchel who had it of John Middleborough feb. 1. 167^{9}_{80} the sum of 02 - 00 - 00

Received of John Hulton myself March 10. 167^{8}_{9} 01 - 10 - 00

he stopt for serving overseers office that year ... 01 - 00 - 00

My sister Ester received of him upon my account 00 - 10 - 00

I received of him for Micaelmas rent following Sept. 9. 79 ... ... 02 - 10 - 00

I gave him back for the office he served upon his complaint ... ... 05 - 00

Cozen Ester Heywood had of that rent back Nov. 10. 1679 ... ... 01 - 00 - 00

I received of John Hulton half a years rent for his part of my fathers land towards my £50 this instant April 13, 1680 the sum of 02 - 15 - 00, the whole is 5li 10s he is to pay.

As there was a prodigious comet in December, Jan. 1680-1, such as hath seldom been known, wch I have elsewhere described, so again at this time Aug. 1682, god hath sent another comet not so great as the former yet very astonishing. It began to be seen with us on friday night Aug. 18. by Mr A.L. on saturday morning Aug. 19. by J.S. and his brother on Lords day morning, so when clear most of that week, I saw it friday night Aug. 25. but still on Lords day night far clearer Aug. 26. 1682, it was in the North-west setting about 9 a clock, there was a star and streamers came from it about 2 yeards in our sense, very bright.

On Saturday night Oct. 6. 1683, about 11 a clock in the night there was a very terrible earthquake. I was at that time in Cozen Angiers house in Duckenfield in Cheshire, he and his wife both felt the bed rock and reel under them and then heard a crashing noyse, as if the chamber would fall : his maid was up and thought the house crackt, so did I tho I was not so sensible of the bed shaking. The day after I dined at Sr R. D. they perceived it there and at Hide bank and at Manchester, at Bolton and several that were up in all these

parts, at Ratchdal R.M. sd the chamber reeled for he was getting up, and several others in that town. Dr. Halliwel and his wife were waking, the bed reeled, she was frightened, lie still sd he its but an earthquake. When I came home my wife had perceived it. Ms. Hopkins was much affrighted with shaking of the room and noyse. S. Bently of Wharlers sd the seiling crashed as if broken and bed reeled. Also it was felt very sensibly at York, at Gainsborough, in Lincolnshire, at Coventry, Daintry and many other places, in the same manner, and exactly at the same time and in my examining I find reports to agree in all circumstances, so that I doubt not the truth thereof, so that when I came home I preacht about it upon Mat. 24. 6, and god awaken our spirits; this is Octob. 22. 1683.

Lent to John Stevenson 01 - 10 - 00, Thomas Walker 01 - 10 - 00. Dorothy Bolton 01li. Timothy Holt junr 03li, Robt Bins 01li Micael Stead 01li. Jonathan Priestley 10li Joshua Soynier 01li, John Stevenson 01li 10s. Jo Priestly Oct. 31. 81, 07li J. Kershey 10li. [All crossed out.]

This year viz A. D. 1689 there have failed in their estates a great number more than I have formerly observed, especially in November, Decemb. the latter end of this year, some few that come to my knowledge or near us are

1 Mr Elkanah Hickson of Leeds who is said to owe 2000li hath laid himself in the K. Bench: his father and mother were my dear friends and he hath been kind to me, a merchant: its sd El Hodgson his factor hath done him hurt.

2 Tho Taylor of Brighouse, his father was a great quaker, he hath been a ranter, kept gentlemens company, owes 1000li, his goods were seized and now a selling to pay creditors, January 1690.

3 Timothy Bothomly and his brother John living at Dighton near Huthersfield sons to my good friend Nath Bothomley are intangled in debt, bonds above 120li which I fear they cannot pay. Tim [sheltered?] with me.

4 Edmund Jackson of Cowlin head in Kildwick parish, a great professor that Mr Smith oft preaching at his house, is gone behind, run away in debt, he owes 500li.

5 Peter Cleaton that lived near Barsland and had Mr. Smith preach at his house, run away in debt. H.P. was bound for him in a bond of 20li—a poor man.

6 Joseph Holiday of Priestly green that married Jeremiah Baxters daughter, having been marryed little above two yeares, he had a portion with his wife took 120li upon his land, and is run behind 100li, skulks for fear of being apprehended by Bailiffs, my constant hearer, one of our conference young men, had notable parts in prayer, god knows how matters are.

7 Jonathan Glover a shop-keeper in Halifax that marryed Isaac Waterhouse daughter to his 2d wife, had near 110 within 2 yeares, all given up, he gone : all these broke out within little more than a month.

8 one Lacock a neighbour of Edmund Jacksons (and it seems they were bound for each other) this man run behind, skulks at his brother Jonathan Lacocks near Halifax.

9 Mr Brook of Smith-house in Lightcliff dyed in abundance of debt, his wife and three children left destitute, he buryed on Jan. 23. 89-90, his fine house, land morgaged to Madam Thornhill for 300li.

10 Mr Arthur Robinson, merchant in York broke in 14000li, went to nought, my son tells me he lyes prisoner in the fleet at London, in great misery A.D. 1692.

11 Mr Shepley of Leeds broke in severall thousands, but hath compounded with his creditors, gives the half this A.D. 1692.

12 Mr Lamerick of Bradford a great tradesman broke in some thousands, run away offers no composition A.D. 1693.

13 Mr Skinner of Leeds owes 3000 in Halifax Viccaridg, much more elswhere, runs away without compounding A.D. 1693.

14 James Ingham of Norland run away, its sd he owes 500li, hath nothing to pay, Mr Smiths hearer, 1693.

15 Mr Peter Colburn of Ratcliff bridg in Lanc. owes some thousands, statute of Bankrupt out agt him.

16 Mr John Smith of Halifax was prentice at Wakefield, came to Halifax, traded, was trusted because he had 140 li per An. in land, run behind, was imprisoned in York Castle, there he dyed, a statute was got agt him wch still continues Apr. 25, 1694.

17 Willm Lumby of Pudsey run into 3100 li debt, gone aside, Dec. 1694.

18 Richard Hall of Chappel le brear run behind 4 or 500 li is

run away left a wife and 4 children, marryed Daniel Bates daughter.

19 William Benson of Wyke broken in 1000 li A.D. 1697.

20 Squire Holroyds son at London in 126000 (?)

21 Mr Midgley of Headly 2000 is gone off, tis sd into Holland '97.

22 Mr of Clayton that marryed young Isaac Hollins widow, went away for debt 1698.

23 Mr David Clarkson of Bradford failed, went away June 1700.

Notes out of Magdeburgenses Centuriators, as I read it.

[Not continued after a dozen lines on Jerusalem and Jericho.]

Anno Regno Car. 2. Regis Angliae tricessimo—At the Parlt. begun at Westminster 8 of May 1661, by several prorogations, adjournmts, continued till 15 of July, 1678: An Act for Burying in Woollen. The former act made in 18 year of Reign ineffectual for lessening the importation of linnen from beyond sea and incouragement of woollen and paper manufactures in this kingdom, but unobserved—repealed, this in force from Aug. 1. 1678, from thence no corpse must be interred in any shirt, shift, sheet or shroud made or mingled with flax, hemp, silk, hair, gold or silver or any stuff other then is made of sheeps wool, or be put into any coffin, lead, faced, with anything but made of sheeps wool only upon pain of forfeiture of 5li. All persons in holy orders—keep a register of persons buryed in their precincts, one or more of the relations shall within 8 days after make affidavit under the hands and seales of two or more credible witnesses . . . . that the person was not buryed in linnen . . . . . persons dying of the plague are excepted. From Aug. 1. 78 judges of assizes, justices at sessions give this in charge; this act to be read the first Sunday after Barth. day for 7 yeares.

Upon July 8, 1678, we had a solemne and weighty undertaking upon our hands, and our god ordered the matter very graciously, it was this, Mr. frankland having been at my house, but a little before had spoken to me about a way for setting apart young schollars to the ministry, that some provision might be made for a succession of fit persons in gods way to doe gods work, in after-times (since so many were dying,) that might be regularly set apart by examination and imposition of

hands, we consented to it in general, and in speciall the person to be ordained was Mr John Issot who is Mr. franklands assistant in preaching and teaching, living in his family, one of his schollars, my sons contemporary, an able serious young man. I was to bring Mr. Dawson with me, Mr. fr. was to bring one Mr. Slee with him to carry on the work, the appointmt was in May, the time appointed was July 8 : in the interim one Mr. Darlington, or Darnton, living near Rippon made his addresse to me with requests to be set apart to his work, and Mr Thorp of Hopton Hall did also move on his own behalf. I acquainted Mr. fr. therewith by letter, and had his consent and concurrence, in the meantime I also writ to my good friend, Mr. Tho. Jolly desiring his assistance therein, knowing his principles to be for it tho' inclining to the Congregational way. At the time appointed we met, which was at Richard Mitchels in Craven on munday, July 8, '78. When Mr. frankland came, though he brought some of his schollars yet he brought no minister, Mr. Slee having been sick durst not travel so far. Mr. Jolly also failed because he had no acquaintance with the persons to be ordained, otherwise he would have come (for as himself sth in a letter to me there by his son) I am heartily troubled that I misse of such an opportunity of seeing such friends, of serving the interest of the gospel, and giving a proof wt my principles are in these matters,—well upon these two thus failing and we being but 3 to carry on the work, Mr. Thorp began to stagger about staying, resolving to goe home, I discoursed him plainly and fully, Mr. fr. produced that text in Acts 13. 1. 2. 3. to prove there was but three to ordain and 2 ordained, for they were but 5 in all : he was at last satisfied, stayed, he and I preached to a full assembly of people on Tuesday at John Heys, god did graciously assist, and afterwards I administered the Lord's supper to about 20, wherein our dear Lord did graciously manifest himself to our soules, and when we had got a little refreshmt we fell to our work of examining the young men to lessen our work the day following. Mr. frankland was our mouth, examined them about Heb. in the Greek Test, in philosophy, in divinity authours. Mr. Thorp adhered to Mr. Baxter in some points of faith justification, wch Mr. fr. dis——, wch occasioned a short amicable dispute. So we ended that days work and appointed to begin at 7 a clock the morning after, began at 8 a clock on

Wednesday, July 10, Mr. fr. begun the work with prayer, and after examination of certificates proceded. Mr. Thorp position'd on this thesis—datur divina providentia: had a learned discourse in latin, I and Mr. Dawson opposed him in a short dispute syllogistically: then Mr. Issot positioned qd. ordinatio per manum impositionem per seniores (vulgo vocatos laicos) non est valida, it was an excellent discourse, very large and cogent, yet we made our objections. Then Mr. Darnton whose thesis was Non datur omnibus gratia sufficiens ad conversionem, he begged leave to deliver himself in English wch was permitted for the benefit of such as were present, and did pretty well, though some of us were not so fully satisfyed in his abilitys, yet having testimonial of his pious conversation Mr. fr. having known him formerly in Northumberland, he had preacht above 20 yeares without ordination though he produced testimonials of approbation by the commissioners for tryal of ministers in those parts, he solemnly confessed his fault and defect, and had always sought ordination, had never baptized, &c., upon incouraging grounds we entertained him, then we required them to make a confession of their faith, wch they did largely and distinctly. Mr. Issot was exceeding ample and exact, blessed be god they all did well. Then Mr. fr. inquired of them all singly of their persuasion of the truth of the reformed religion, their ends in entring into that calling, diligence in praying, reading, &c, zeal and faithfulnes in maintaining the truth, care of their flocks, familys, willingnes to submit to the admonitions of their brethren and resolution to continue in their dutys agt all trouble and persecution &c. Mr. Dawson having been at prayer before they made their confessions, then we proceeded to imposition of hands, the qu: was whether we should do that singly or conjointly. I apprehend it was most proper that every one should pray over them in particular; so Mr. frankl. begun with Mr. Issot, who kneeled down before us, and wn Mr. fr. came to those words (whom we set apart or appoint) he having laid on hands, we did the like and kept them on till the close; then I prayed over Mr Darnton, Mr Dawson over Mr Thorp in like manner, then we gave them the right hand of fellowship owning them as our brethren in Cht. work, and then we all sate down. I took a text and preacht upon it wch was Mat. 9. 38. insisting most upon the word—labourers, god

helping me graciously to open the laboriousnes of the ministeriall calling, and presse it home upon them in particular, then I went to prayer wherin god did wonderfully draw out my heart with exceeding meltings for those brethren, for Mr. fr. and his schollars, for the church, god helped them all to joyn, and gave some remarkable evidences of his presence then we sung part of the 132 psal. and so I dismist the assembly with pronouncing the valedictory benediction. There was present in this solemnity (besides us 6 that were imployed) divers others, Mr. fr. brought John Beck a christian friend out of Westmorland, and some of his Schollars, as my cozen Nath. Heywood, Tim. Haliday, and from our side came my son John, Mr Gods-gift Kerby, Mr. Tho Cotton. Mr Christoph. Richardson, my sons companions, also Mr Issots father met his son there, likewise some Christian friends in Craven were present, as Rich. Mitchel, John Hey, their wives, Tho. Hey, John Wilkinson, Mtris Lambert &c. Thus god carryed us through the dutys of the day with much satisfaction on all hands, some of the company went part of the way homewards that night, the rest of us stayd all night at those two houses who made us kindly welcome, R. Mitchel, John Hey, and lodged 14 of us, or 15, and were glad of the opportunity, in the morning we all met again and took our solemne and loving farewels of one another and so returned to our homes. Blessed be god for this fruitfull blossoming of Aaron's rod, and the strong branches and sweet flowers issuing thence, that are likely to prove pillars and ornaments in the house of god. What a lovely sight was it to see so many hopefull plants, and some willingly offering themselves in his despised way in such an opposing day as this is! oh that the blessing of Elijah might be upon Elisha! there is hopes the vacant roomes of gods deceased servants may be filled up: Lord take thou the glory and let the church have profit of these successours labours.

Mr Timothy Hodgson chaplain to Sr. John Hewly of York writ very importunate and redoubled letters to me upon the same account, desiring earnestly that he might be set apart to his work. I acquainted Mr. frankland, Mr Jolly &c with it, who were free, only the latter wished there might be a journey or two for tryall before solemne doing of the work, wch we were very willing of but Mr Hodgson earnestly desired all might be dispatcht at once tho he should stay the longer, for

several reasons, but in the meantime Mr. fr. going to York had discourse with him, informed himself from Mr Ward and others concerning him, they togather appointed a day, viz Aug. 24. 1680, to meet at Rich. Mitchels in Craven, accordingly we met on the munday night, Mr Dawson, I and my son went making account the tuesday (black Bartholomew-day) must have been the day, but Mr. fr. came not till the evening of that day, but Mr Jolly came, and because we could doe nothing in examination we spent some time in prayer. Mr. Jolly begun, prayd sensibly for Zion, then we put Mr Hodgson upon praying and preaching, who preacht on Hab. 2. 4. the just shal live by his faith, there being several of the people auditors, in the close Mr Jolly askt Mr Hodgson to give an account of the work of grace, who did so, and I judged very satisfactory, beginning at his childhood, relating how god melted his heart in his younger days, but especially when he was come home from Oxford, he acknowledged he had most convictions by some sermons I preacht upon Eph. 4. 1. of walking worthy of vocation, and declared further how god dealt with him—thus that day was spent, in the conclusion wherof Mr frankl. came, with whom we consulted about carrying on the work of the ensuing day, but Mr Jolly moved to have the ord. put off, but we had some reasons to the contrary wch to us seemed weightier, and after some debate we parted, Mr Jolly returning home that night and coming no more wt. us. I lodged at Rich. Mitchels again that night, Mr. fr. at John Heys, the next morning we met at John Heys about 9 a clock, half an hour after we begun with solemne prayer, Mr Dawson began Mr Issot followed, they were much helped, then we fell to examining Mr Hodgson who brought a testimonial under the hands of Sr John Hewly and Mr Ward for his piety, studiousnes and conversation, then we examined him in the languages, philosophy, Divinity. Mr. fr. carryed on that work, then he read his thesis upon this Qu. An ordinatio ministri sine titulo i.e. sine Ecclesia in quâ ordinaretur sit æque ridicula ac si quis maritus fingeretur esse sine uxore ? he maintained the negative, we all objected. After a considerable in this, he proceeded to his confession of faith and his answering the several interrogatorys, according to the Directory, and then Mr. frankland went to prayer, and at last I was appointed to pray over him, and first lay hands on him, the persons that laid hands on him

with myself were Mr. frankland, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Wright, Mr. Issott, there was several schollars and others present, some came off our side as my son John, Mr. Cotton, Mr. Kerby ; with Mr. frankland, Mr. Haliday, Mr. John Lister, Mr. Peter finch, besides John Beck, John Wilkinson, John Hey, Richard Mitchel, Mtris Lambert and several more,—in the upshot of all I preacht upon 1 Tim. 4. 15. and then shut up all with prayer, singing, and pronouncing a blessing, we had done about half an hour after 5, so that we spent 8 houres in the more solemne ordinances of that day, wch was indeed a sweet and blessed day wherin god did graciously manifest his presence, blessed be the name of our dear Lord.

Upon April 25, 1681, we had a solemne and sweet day of fasting and prayer at J. Baxters, in the close of it Mr Tho. Jolly came to my house (according to former appointmt) lodged with me, the day after we rode to Sheffield upon a solemne occasion wch was the setting apart of Mr. Timothy Jolly chosen to be pastor of that church in Sheffield where Mr fisher and Mr. Durant were pastors before him : we took up our lodgings in Abel Yates house, one of the members with wm Mr. T. Jolly tables, besides us two were Mr Hancock and Mr Bloom called in for assistance, who came on wednesday morning early, we all consulted togather how to carry on the work of that meeting, they unanimously chose me moderator to manage that affair. I would have avoided it but was compelled to it, the people came together about 10 a clock, I begun the work with prayer my god did graciously assist in that duty about an hour, then we put young Mr Jolly on the work of preaching for a tryal of his gifts, he preached on Isai. 59, 1. 2, very satisfactorily, we dismissed the people, and then fell to our work of examining him, wherein we spent about 3 houres, going through logick, philosophy, languages, divinity, but (through an oversight) he had no position in latin, however something was done extempore by way of disputation—An infantes omnes baptizatorum et si scandalizantium sint baptizandi, having dispatched this work we parted near 6 a clock, appointed to meet at the same place (viz at Abel Yates) at 7 in the morning, and some kept that time. Besides Mr T. Jolly we were desired to take a test of the gifts of other two (viz Mr David Noble formerly schoolmaster at Morley my son's master, now living with Mr Woolhouse in Darbyshire,

a pious man, candidate for the ministry, another was one Robt Dickinson a member and ruling Elder in that society, an English schollar only, but a good man of rare parts, and hath preacht above 10 yeares at seasons, and in his own house beyond Doncaster, 18 miles from Sheffield, the former of these Mr Noble, prayed and preacht on Rom. 8. 1. very profitably but we wanted time (or rather light) with reference to the latter, then Mr Hancock went to prayer and after him Mr. Bloom, most of the members of that society being there, only we were informed that two were dissatisfyed with that examination by presbiters, thought it should be done by ruling Elders in the name of the people, but no notice was taken of that opinion or of them, so we went on with our work, then I proceeded to propound such quærys as are prescribed, to wch he answered, and then his father was willing to give him up to god by prayer in this office as he had formerly given him up to god in Baptism, which he did very pathetically, and after that he kneeling down upon his knees we standing about him, god helped me to pray over him in his actuall ordination by imposition of hands, and there were considerable affections in all the people. After that solemnity I proceeded to give this exhortation which was grounded upon 1 Tim. 4. 15. god helped in that work in some good measure, so I concluded all with prayer, and their Elder desired all that were not of that society to withdraw, so most of the people scattered for there was a full assembly with several young schollers, Mr Billingsly jun, Mr Kerby, my son Eliezer, we all with drew for about half-an-hour, then went into the chamber where first one read a letter from Mr Griffith in London dismissing Mr Tim Jolly from their church to Sheffield-people, then he spoke in the name of the people their desires that he would accept of a pastorall office over them, wch the rest signified their consent to by lifting up their hands, and he assented, expressing his desires to serve them in the gospel, then Mr Tho. Jolly his father discoursed of the relative dutys of pastours and people, wherein he enumerated 30 or 40 apellations or titles given to Ministers in scripture applying them distinctly all along very usefully, when he had done that work his son concluded all with prayer, indeed very sensibly and sweetly, so the whole company was dismissed we having continued in the Lords work from 8 a clock in the morning to 8 a clock at night except about half an hours inter-

mission betwixt 4 and 5. There was more than ordinary mercys in this solemnity and all the transaction.

1 That this church wch was always accounted independent would admit of a pastour ordained by presbiters, yea Mr Durant immediatly before that was of another persuasion, I look on this as an olive-branch of peace amongst gods people.

2 there was no doubt or objection received in that affair, as yong Mr Jolly observed no noyse of a hammer in that building, he was glad Mr Ogle came not (tho invited) who is otherwise minded, yet by providence necessarily hindred, living at Chesterfield.

3 Mr Hancock and Mr Bloom who have had an unhappy clashing a considerable time, sweetly joyned in this work without the least reflection, yea with some humble acknowledgmts of their folly, wch is a hopeful sign of reconciliation.

4 Tho it was too wel known in town and parish and country (for wch we had reason to challenge some for imprudence) yet there was no disturbance or affront, however, in the middle of a considerable market town, and if no hurt come of it we must ascribe it to gods providence not our prudence.

5 it is a wonderful transcendent mercy that in such a day as this is, god raiseth up out of private schools so many yong men so wel furnished with learning, gifts, graces for his work as a seminary for the church to build up wast places of zion.

6 God did not withdraw his gracious presence and assistance from our soules, but did melt many hearts in prayer. I hope some will remember it while they have a day to live.

7 many (I think all) the people were very well satisfyed, several of them came to us the following day expressed their gratitude and high *resentment* of that days work, and the young man himself was abundantly incouraged, blessed for ever, blessed be the Lord for his mercy thus far.

We gave him an instrument in parchment under our hands of what we have done for him, that 28 of April, 1681.

Blessed be god the like work of setting apart young men to the ministry is elsewhere solemnly managed, particularly at Mansfield in Nottinghamshire Sept 28, 1681, the ordainers were Mr Porter, Mr Whitlock Mr Reinolds, Mr Billingsly, Mr Oldfield, Mr Crosse, Mr Prime: the ordained were Mr

John Oldfield, Mr John Billingsly, Mr Samuel Cotes, Mr Sam. Rose. Blessed be god for Aarons rod blossoming.

Six young men ordained at once at Warrington in the publick meeting-place, Jan. 168$\frac{7}{8}$, viz Mr Chorton, Mr Jones, Dr. Eaton, Mr Kennison——.

Mr frankland and I (upon mature deliberation) made an appointment again to meet in Craven for another ordination : the persons proposed were my son John and my son Eliezer and Mr Tho. Cotton but these two latter excused themselves because they had been sick, and could not follow their studys to make preparation, however we resolved to keep the day which was Aug. 23. 1681, the persons we designed to carry on the work were Mr Rich. frankland, Mr Tho Jollie, Mr Joseph Dawson, Mr. John Issott and myself, the place appointed was in Craven—in the meantime Mr Jolly sent to me to meet him at Leeds, and I being to goe to York did meet him at Mr Whitakers Aug. 9, '81, where they appointed a meeting of ministers, Mr Naylor, Mr Holdsworth were there, Mr. Jolly read us some fundamentals of doctrine and distinctions about communion of churches he had prepared, but we did little, only had some discourse about my son John. Mr Jolly took me aside and made his objections of some mis-carriages he heard of, and also declared his judgmt that he ought to be set apart in the church to which he related, this latter I answered could not be done, and for the former I writ in the morning after, and received a satisfactory answer that his intelligence was not true, and indeed I had been several yeares much comforted in my son John serious spirit, diligent studys, pious conversation, however such things coming from so good a man did much trouble me, and engaged me to a diligent search, which search did increase my satisfaction, however jealousys were much raised in me ; he had performed his preaching work and kept close to his study all the time of my absence from home at York, preacht at Mr Dawsons place, Aug. 22. '81, came home that night, the morning after we spent some time in prayer, with respect to the business of our journey, god wonderfully inlarged the heart of my son John, telling the Lord that if it might not tend to his glory, the good of the church, he desired it might be prevented, god graciously helped my son Eliezer in prayer, and myself, and about 12 a clock we set out, called at Jos. W. left my son E

there in his ague fit, who with Mr Dawson came to us in the morning, but my son John and I rode on, I was plain with him in the road, still more incouraged; we lodged at Rich. Mitchels, Mr. frankland and some of his schollars met us there, the morning after Aug. 23, we went to Jo. Heys, set upon our work, Mr. Issot begun with prayer, continued about an hour, then we appointed my son John to preach who gave us a handsom, wel compacted discourse upon Mat. 5. 14, Ye are the light of the world, and prayed sensibly, having gone through that work, Mr. fr. examined him, first demanding his testimonials, he produced 5, one from our christians of Coley subscribed by 9 or 10 hands, another from Morley by as many, another from Warley subscribed by as many, a 4th from Lidget sent by J. Armitage, and another from Nath. Bothomly in all wch places he had conversed and frequently preached, testifying of his ministeriall abilitys, sounndnes in faith, pious conversation, and therwith signifying their desires that he might be set apart to the work of the ministry, which Mr frankland and all the rest judged full and satisfactory. I asked Jo Hey and Rich Mitchel what they had to object, and they told me they were well satisfyed, it was thought fit that the testimonials should be left in John Heys hands and he hath them in keeping, then Mr. fr. proceeded to examine him in logick, philosophy, history, chronology &c. and then ordered him to read his thesis in latin upon this Qu : An Episcopus idem sit qui presbiter : he read a long discourse, affirming it, Mr Dawson, Mr Issot, framed argts agt it, he answered, this continued till near 5 a clock, then we refresht ourselves and so parted. Mr fr. and I lying together at R. Mitchels had sweet intercourse, we appointed to begin again to consummate and solemnize that work : Mr Dawson begun with prayer about an hour, god did graciously help him to bewail his own and ministers sins that had thrust us out of publick work that day 19 years agoe, and had kept us out so long. God wonderfully drew out his heart in pleading for our restauration, and for the church and nation, and for my child in that particular case, and work, then I went to prayer, god did strangely inlarge my heart and mouth in all these concerns about an hour and half, oh what a melting season it was, I told my Lord he was welcom to me and all that I had, to use us as he pleased, so we might be to his glory, I told him I had given my sons to god

in bapt. in their infancy, and many times on my knees tendered them to him in his special service and never repented of that loan, lent, yea given to the Lord and judged it greater honour to convert soules, then to be princes, to rule over men, and I hoped god accepted this deed of gift because he inlarged and inflamed my heart with love and tendernes. After this Mr fr. desired my son to make a confession of his faith, wch he did (according to the method in the creed) with much accuracy and brevity, then he askt him concerning his ends in undertaking that function, his resolution to adhere to it, &c, and then proceeded to imposition of hands, he kneeling down, Mr frankland praying about half an hour or more, with much seriousness and rising up gave him the right hand of fellowship, after that Mr Dawson in room of an exhortation to him preacht us an honest sermon suitable to the occasion from 2 Tim. 2. 15, it was a very plain, pertinent, profitable discourse, then he went to prayer, sung a psalm, pronounced the blessing : we had done that exercise about two a clock because Mr. fr was to goe away that night, and after we had dined, other people having notice came and from 4 to after 6 I preacht to them on Psal 44. 17. god helpt. but the persons that were present at the ordination, were (besides us 4 that laid on hands) Mr Kerby, Mr Haliday, Mr Whitworth, Mr Byram, Mr Jones, my son Eliezer not well ; all Mr. frankland's schollars, John Beck from Kendall, Tho Leech (a member with us), John Hey, Rich Mitchel. Mr Issot drew up a paper to whch we four subscribed our hands that on that 24th day of Aug. 1681, we having received satisfaction concerning J. H. by testificates and having taken a proof of his abilitys by preaching praying, and in other learning, had solemnly set him apart with fasting and prayer and imposition of hands to the work of the ministry. thus farre of this affair and he is the 8th person I have laid on hands in this dark and dead day, blessed be god, may Aarons rod further blossom and produce still more fruit. Lord graunt a supply, and full restitution, Amen.

Strange (and some of them sad) have been the passages of providence about my son John since that solemn day of his sequestration to gods work wch have begot in me such searchings of heart and with working affections as I cannot remember I have had in all my life

1 When we were in Craven at the time before mentioned Mr

Issot had sollicited my son John to come preach for him in Craven in his absence on Sept. 18. 1681, accordingly he set out from us the day before wch was Saturday, but baiting at Kighly at the inne (one Makeriths) standing in the stable seeing his horse eat his corn, a young man comes to him, askt him if he would sell his mare, he began to talk and tamper with him, went again into the house with him, where he found the company drinking brandy, he discourst and drunk with them so long that it strangely and sadly disordered him, yet he would be gone tho it was night, and he not fit to goe out, fell off his horse, a carryer that lives at Steighton found him, took pitty of him, helpt him to his house where he lodged him that night, he got up before day in the morning went forward, preacht at John Heys, when he came back on Tuesday called at Mackeriths was very pensive, would drink none, but sent a man money that helpt with a charge to conceal it, and when he came home went abroad, the day after brought T. Holt, W. Naylor, with him, they spent some time in prayer that evening, thursday morning he rode to his brother at Wallinwels, stayd there on friday, came back on Saturday and preacht for me on Lords day, W. N. said exceeding well and to his admiration and many more, then stayd at home til thursday so went his journey into Westmorland. These things I heard not of till Octob. 18. 1681, my resentments thereof I have elsewhere writ in my soliloquy, for my heart hath had sad confusions, oppressions therefrom as had overwhelmed me had not god wonderfully supported: he was in danger of drowning in a flood in his return.

2 On thursday, Sept 29, '81, (before we came home out of Lanc,) he went (according to appointment with Mr. frankland,) to preach in two places towards Westmorland in private houses, the one is at one John Thornton's within 9 miles of Lancaster, the other near Sedbar. Tim Holt went with him, stayd with him the first Lords day, heard him, came home, brought me tidings how things went. My son went to Mr franklands who made him welcom, told him it should be his home while he stayd in these parts, after he had preacht two Lords days he was to come home to supply for me, as he came near some river on the road in those parts, wednesday, Octob. 19. 1681, he saw the way was dan-

gerous, he meeting a man askt him if he might safely passe that way, he answered, you know as wel as I, he passed on, his horse fell in there they tumbled over-head in the water, the horse upon him, yet by the wonderful providence of god both of them got out, came that night to J. T. where he sate in his wet cloaths till he went to bed, tho he had not a dry thread about him, and they had no other drying till he came home (tho above 30 miles off) for wch he only gave this reason that they complained of Mr. Wright's curiosity, and he was loath to be troublesome to them, oh strange indiscretion ! miracle of mercy, that he got not his death.

3 The night before I came home out of Nottinghamshire, wch was thursday, Oct. 27. 1681, my son John having been at the funeral of Micael Booth at Halifax as wel in mind and body as ever he was in his life, not any way disordered, eat his supper, read, sung, went to prayer, prayed very affectionately, confessed sin, begged mercy, wept much, and was earnestly pleading with god to be delivered from a body of death, and the power of corruption, or else to take him out of this wicked world into heaven, exceedingly magnifying the sinles state of those blessed soules and seeming much to be transported with the hopes and mention therof as he was thus pleading and strangely transported his speech began to faulter, he grew blind, cryd out, Lord have mercy upon me Ime gone, instantly fell down, my wife and maid rusht up attempted to lift him up, but in vain, he was as heavy as lead, cold as a stone, teeth and eyes set, pale as a cloth, they twicht him, he stirred none, they were ready to judge he was gone, yet my wife run into her closet, fetch some strong waters, opened his mouth with a knife, poured some in, then he began to revive, his spirits returned but was very pale, and recovered, blessed, blessed be my god, he hath had several of those fainting fits both when he was a child, and since, the lord sanctify them to him.

4 When I came home friday afternoon Oct. 28. my wife and maid were gone out, and John was in my study, he came soberly down after a season, and coming towards me with a dejected countenance and much trouble, seemingly, I begun to discourse with him about his sad fall, he was much ashamed, stood behind my chair-back, acknowledged his woeful miscarriage. I askt him if he had read my paper I

left him with the 20 aggravations of his sin, he said yes, and in his private thoughts had laid before him many more sad aggravations. I laid the sin before him as god helpt me, askt him how it came to passe, he told me and in truth told me how much he was carryed out in secret that morning before he went from home in prayer, to be delivered from temptations that day, and was ready to say it was not the quantity but the quality of the drink that overpouered him. The day following, being to goe to preach at Morley on Lords day, I set him to pray with my wife and me, but shortly after he was begun Mr. D. coming interrupted us. On Wednesday night we had conference. Our Qu : was What were the aggravations of the sins of gods children, he spoke to it, and prayd, and at other times prayd sensibly but far short of the frame he was in before that fall for on the Tuesday before that sad fall at a solemne day of thanksgiving among our young men (Eliezer being at home, the day being kept for his recovery) John prayed and praised god at such a rate as I have scarce heard the like both for expressions and affections, and some present admired it, yet came this fall quickly after that week.

My son John was desired to goe preach to a people towards Westmorland, did goe Sept. 29. 1681, preacht at John Thorntons on the Lords day, then at Middleton-head the sabbath following, and the sabboth after at Mr franklands, came home, preacht for me Oct. 23, at Morley Oct. 30, returned to that people Nov. 3, preacht at J. Thorntons that Sabboth, at Middleton-head the next after, and at J. H. Nov. 20, came home Nov. 23, preacht for me No. 27. at Nath. Bothomlys, Dec. 4 met his brother at Mtris Cottons, brought him home with him on tuesday Nov. [? Dec.] 6, the day after we had a solemne fast at Anth. Leas where god helpt both my sons sweetly but the morning after when they were to part, viz thursday Dec. 8. 1681, was such a forenoon as I have seldom had or seen, for my two sons and I spent some time in prayer in the little parlour John begun with such floods of teares, self-abasings, confessions, protestations, expostulations, as I have seldom known, oh wt fresh dedications to god ! wt supplications for pardon, strength, Eliezer was not much behind, and god melted my own heart wonderfully. I again gave him up to god afresh, and the Lord made it a Bochim,

my soul remember that day, I am satisfyed god hath helped him graciously with a spirit of repentance, and (wch is strange) made this fall to be a preparative to his work. Lord so speak peace to him that he may never return again to folly—that day they went several ways. Upon May 16 J.P. and I went to Kendal, my son John met me at Thornton Kirk by Ingleton, we went to Kendall I stayed almost a week with Mr frankland, and at Lancaster, &c, kept my son John with me that time and tuesday May 23, 1682, I lodged at John Thorntons where my son John hath preacht, and making inquiry concerning his preaching and carriage they commended both, and spoke well of him saying he did dayly grow and come on apace, and might doe good yet for all that I sought the Lord and upon good advice saw cause at present to bring him home with me, 1 because I did not perceive any forwardnes in them to have him to stay, nor did they once desire me to let him tarry. 2 because upon a rumour of warrants and danger the people dare not or will not come, but draw off, so that at John Thorntons theres not 20 persons. 3 John Thornbeck (wch is the other house where he preacht towards Middleton-head) told me they had no place for him to preach in, but his, and his landlady (Mtris Middleton) tabled with him and was utterly against any such meetings, and would not suffer it, and no other houses there durst admit any such meeting. 4 his incomes are inconsiderable (tho they be able enough) so that they will not half pay for his table, yet I offered them to help to keep him there among them, if he might be of any use, yea I have given something to discharge his quarters, yet they accepted not my offer, but sd they saw no likelyhood of his continuance for all that they could doe at most would not amount to 6 li a year. 5 the main discouragmt was that he did not see that his preaching did any good, though he toyld hard, wept and prayd, god helpt him to preach and pray affectionately so that he took abundance of paines, they were hard, dead, senseles still, would have talkt with another and laught as he was preaching &c. that he hath been fretted at the heart with them. 6 he could get no convenient place to table in amongst them but continued most of the winter at Mr franklands, buying hay and corn for his horse which run up to incredible charges, and setting him up at an alehouse, hay being scarce and excessive

dear that winter and had he not had supply other ways he had run into much debt, but his dissettlement and hinderance in his studys I was most dissatisfyed with, till a month or two towards the latter end at Francis Beckets wch yet was no way convenient but I have wondered that my poor child could dispense so well with such very hard lodging, course fare, mean and clownish fashions, but he professed his willingnes to endure anything that he might doe good to soules, but his discouragemt in that was his greatest affliction. 7 a considerable reason at this juncture is another providence that seemes to set open a door for both my sons going to London, wch is demonstrated and cleared by these several steps and motion of divine providence going before us, 1 Mr Taylor (where my son Eli. lives had sometimes expressed his desires that my son Eliezer might goe to London and he would maintain him there a quarter or half-a-year to imbolden and quicken him by hearing eminent ministers, conversing with schollars, 2 I read lately the life of Mr Owen Stockton who sth if he had sons designed for the ministry they should continue and converse a season at London, 3 Mr Streaton my good friend signifyed to me that if I would send up my son John he questioned not but in a little time he might hear of a fit place for him, 4 Mr Jos. Brooksbank and his wife being to come into the country, they would be fit company for them in their return, and I have already an invitation from a friend for their lodging at their house in the city—this is May 30, 1682.

In April 1682 Mr Thomas Jolly called at my house, would have spoken to me about an important case as he told my wife, but I being gone into Lanc. he left not word what it was, but it seemes it was the setting apart of Mr. Robert Wadington to the ministry. so I had no intelligence of time, place, tho I had a hint of the thing, but they had desired Mr Benson of Kellet near Lancaster, Mr Pendlebury, Mr Kay, Mr Jo Jolly to come to Mr Jollys house May 16, 1682 to doe that busines but all these failed; did not come, only Mr Issot came out of Craven, so they spent 2 days in fasting, praying, examining and disputing thinking however to proceed, but upon second thoughts and consulting with the people they waved it and appointed another time wch was June 6, 1682, and then they sent me a request to be present. I communicated it to Mr

Smith who was inclined to goe with me but did not, so I went alone June 5, came to Mr Tho. Jollys that night, there I found Mr frankland and his son, Mr Benson and Mr Greenwood of Lancaster, Mr Kay, &c., we consulted the night before how to carry on the work, we concluded to wave Scholastick exercises because a proof had been made therein the time before, and most of us were satisfyed upon personal knowledge, but Mr Jolly moved that the people with whom he had joyned as a member, yea as an officer, or ruling elder, (viz Mr Jollys society) might expresse their dedicating of him to god, Mr frankland was not satisfyed with that, having no warrant, and as importing some power, so it was waved, we referred the ordering of the day to Mr Jolly, so in the morning after prayer (being June 6, 82,) we fell to our work about 10 a clock. Mr Tho. Jolly begun with a short prayer to beg direction, assistance, then he put Mr Wadington upon making his confession, wch he did solidly and succinctly, then he desired Mr frankland to pray, he did so, then Mr Benson prayed honestly, but I must confesse my great fault that I was much overcome with sleepines, drowsines, next I went to prayer wherein my Lord did wonderfully draw out my heart in confessing the sins of ministers, people and our sad deserts this 20 yeares by-past, in begging mercy to the church, soules, that particular person, oh what a frame was my spirit in, and god helped their hearts that joyned in echoing groanes, then Mr Kay was much helped in prayer very understandingly, feelingly, which kept us till 3 a clock, then Mr Jolly began to lay before the minister to be ordained his duty and the office he was to undertake and spoke about half-an-hour in discoursing of ministerial qualifications and acts, then said he would proceed to the laying on of hands, but Mr. frank. and I stopt a little by asking him some questions about his design in taking on him that calling, his faithfulnes therein, his continuance in the work to his dying day, &c., after which Mr Wadington kneeled down on a cushion amongst us, Mr Jolly being our mouth in speaking to god, when he said (whom we in the name of Cht. appoint) and laid on his hand, the rest of us laid on his head our right hand, kept them on till the prayer was ended, according to our usual practice, then he arose, and Mr Jolly proceeded to give the charge, about an hour, and then prayed, and he pronounced the blessing, and so we took Mr Wadington by the hand to give

him the right hand of fellowship, so we broke up and gave it under our six hands what we had done, viz. Mr. Jolly, Mr. Benson, Mr frankland, myself, Mr. Kay, Mr Issot, some 10 or 12 of Mr Jollys society being with us, besides Mr. Greenwood, John Hey, &c.

Thers severall flittings in our neighbourhood this May day and the week following 1697 :

(1) Joshua Sonier and his son Isaac remove from Wall-close where they have lived 25 yeares to Bank-top near Halifax.
(2) John Bently removes from Heath in Skircoat to Only-house near us.
(3) Nathaniel Booth removes from Northourum to Wall-close.
(4) John Smith removes from Northourum into th' Hough.
(5) M Bairstow removes out of Hough to further lim'd house.
(6) Jeremiah Swift removes from Lands head to Ourumgreen, a new house of J. Crowthers.
(7) John Rookes removes from that house to Deaf-mill, an ale-house.
(8) Robert Booth removes from Quarlers below it to the Lands head.
(9) Jeremiah Whitely removes from over brear to Robt. Booths house.
(10) Old widow Booth removes from Sam Holdworths to Lands head.

I observe this year theres severall persons sadly melancholy, distracted, 1684. (1) Mr W. Williamson, of Newton Heath a rich man of 300 a year, wofully distracted now half-a-year, continues so, hath 5 men waiting on him. (2) Mr J. Light-bowns daughter (Mr Dickinsons wifes sister) sad, melancholy, frightful, yet not raging. (3) Richard Thomas near Wibsey Slack, that I went to visit, uttered sad words, attempted severall times to make away himself. (4) Mr J. Deerdens daughter of Sowrby who was very raging and dyed in that condition, in a sad posture. (5) Joshua Hopkins son in this township of Northourum, 18 years old, frantick, 7 men about him and scarce hold him, now raging June 29. 1684. (6) Mr. Seddons only child a son put in Bedlam, being wofully off in April 1686.

Received from Mtris Denham 12 of my books of life in gods favour, March 29, 1679, thus disposed of, *plain*, Dinah Tetley,

Mary Burnet, Mr Dawson, Richard Hoyl, Alice Meller Mr Jo. Brooksbank, *gilded*, my wife one, Jonath. Priestly, my son John, Mtris Lambert, Mtris Taylour, my son Eleizer.

Received 30 books of life in gods favour, April 5, 1679, *guilded edges*, sister Hulton, Lady Hewly, Lady Rhodes, Lady Wilbraham, *plain*, Thomas Liedg, Micael Broadly, John Hey, Rich. Mitchel, William Clay, Jerem. Baxter, Jonas Northend, Will Butler, Mtris Bagnal, Willm Hodgson, Phœbe Lister, John Brearcliff, Mr Cotes of Rawden, Sister Whitehead, Aunt Russell, Brother Okey, Robt Milnes, Mr. M. Hallows, John Stot, James Broobsbank, John Stevenson, John Kershaw, Mr Thorp, Mtris Cotton, Mr Wadsworth. (6 dozen he gave me for my copy.)

Received April 19, 79 two dozen of Books, life in gods favour, all plain, white leather. Mr Stanniford of furbeck, my cozen Angier, my sister Heywood, Mtris Ashurst Lady Stanly, Mr Scolfield Cozen Whitehead, Anne Northend, Phœbe firth, Ester Learoyd, Lady Watson, Lady Hewet, Mr John Priestly, Sam Hopkinson, Elizab Birch, Mr Robt Hickson, Mr. Elk. Hickson, Anthony Lea, Widow Green, Mtris Wilton, Marg. Rushworth, Sister Colburn, Will Naylour, Matthew Moorhouse. Disposed according to my order at London of the 6 dozen wch Mr Dorman Newman gave me for my copy, Mtris Denham 1 guilt, Cozen Hulton 1 plain, Brother Crompton, Mr Longbothom Mr Jos. Brooksbank, Mr. Mic. Wats.

Received June 16, 1679 of Mr Dorman Newman 6 dozen of bookes of life in gods favour, paid to J.P. 3li 6sh., Bridget Mellen, Sam Holdworth, Timothy Holt, Elizab. Barker, Joseph Lister, Joshua Walker, Lady Houghton, Mtris Bruen Stapleford, Cozen Buller, Cozen Catharin Okey, James Smith, farsly, Joshua Soynier, John Nichol, James Dyson, Ottawel Whitworth, Mtris Duckerfield, Will. Robuck, Mtris Gill, Mtris Langley, Mr Hodgson, John Butterworth, Mr Dinely, Tho Ledger, Willm Ellis, Mtris Horton, Dorothy Bolton, John Holdworth, Susan Clay, Mary Hudson, Roger Stocks, Mr Hatfield, Mtris Maulyverer, Willm Wadsworth, Mary Kirk, Mr Abr. Hall, Mr Joseph Hall, John greenwood, Mtris frankland, Cozen S. Angier junr, Mtris Carre, Willm Walker, Mary Walker, Richard Cook, Bro Tho. Heywood, Coz. Jo. Bradley, Ruth Tetley, Ellen Drake, Richard Cook, Susan Sauden, John Hardaker, Joshua Wild, Cozen Ja. Crompton, Mr Josiah Oates,

Mr Shaw, W. Naylors father, Martha Thacker, Widow Hodgson, Halif., Nathanl Bottomly, John Robinson, Deanhead, James Taylors wife, Mr Tim Smith of Leeds, Mr Jo. Holdworth, Daniel Gill, John Burkhead, Mtris furnace, Ester Ray, my son Elizer sent for 2, sent Jan. 3. '80.

Mr James Longbothom bargained with Mr Tho. Parkhurst for printing my brother Nath Heywoods book called Christ displayed, who was to give my sister the widow 100 for the copy, 300 we were to buy. Accordingly he sent us by the carrier 250 books, 100 I sent my sister by John Stot carryer Octob. 28, 79, Francis Bently stationer in Halifax hath 112 to sell, rest is remaining to us. thus ordered, old Jonath Priestly Jonathan Priestly sen, a guilded one, my wife another guilded one, Mary Burnet one plain one, Micael Broadly one plain one, Lady Hewley a guilded one, Susan Longbothom a plain one, James Holsted, Sister Whitehead, Coz. W. Whitehead, Uncle John Heywood, Cozen Ester Hunt, Coz. Eliz. Okey, Sister Hulton, my son John, Anne Northend Mr John Brooksbank, Nathaniel Bottomly, my son Eliezer, Ms. Taylor a guilded one. Robt Milnes of Ratchdal had 18 books to sell Nov. 22. 79. Received 20sh. J.P. laid down 7li for books, 11sh for carriage 2s of Mr Long. he had for books of fran Bently 06 - 09 - 00, I gave him 01 - 04 - 06. so he had his money viz 07 - 13 - 06, this instant Jan 22. 1680.

Received from Mr Parkhurst by J.P. 108 bookes of my brothers in 2 bundles Dec. 27. 1679. Cozen Nath Hulton took 3 dozen (i.e. 36) bookes all wch. comes but to 144 bookes. he sent instead of my brothers (I suppose by mistake) 1. Medes Ast Christian, 2 glorious Lovers in verse, 3 Mr Corbets book of Chts Kingdom 4, 4 Glimpses of Eternity 2, wch make up the full number of 150 bookes tho not of the right sort, 8 bookes not my brothers. 8 bookes of glimpse of eternity he gives and sent me with the rest. the whole number of 300 bookes comes to 17li 10sh. Mr. Longbothom gave Mr. Parkhurst at once 15li on our behalf. Cozen Hultons 36 bookes came to 2li 2sh we had then 8sh more to pay for the remainder. 6 sh more I gave J. P. Jan 26. 80. Of these that came last thus disposed: Robt Milnes 6, Ottawel Whitworth 6, Mtriss Lambert 1, John Hey 1, Rich Mitchel 1, Mr Holdworth of Heck: 1, Will. Wadsworth 1, Isaac Balm junr 1, Joshua Walker 1, Ester Learoyd, Mr Sam Williams, John Robuck,

John Armitage, Joseph Lister, John Stevenson jun, Sarah Rushworth, Mtris Sharp, Abrah. Dawson, Mr Tho Jolly, Sam Holdworth, Ester Stead, Daniel Hey, Mtris furnasse, Mr Tim Smith, Sarah Bins. Sister Heywood had 2 dozen of brothers bookes feb. 6. 1680, W. Whitehead had half-a-dozen, Nath. Bottomly had 6 feb 12 Mr Cotton had 6.

Received of Mr Parkurst 30 of my brothers books Oct 25. 1680, paid to Jo. Priestly for them 01li 07s 0. Sent Mr Jo. Barlow of Manchester 6. Jer Baxter 1, Mtris Billingsly, Dinah Tetley, Mary Kirk, Wm. Clay, Mic Broadly, Judith Bolton, Mr Hickson, Anth. Gill, Mtris Billingsly 4, Mr Jo. Barlow 6, Mic Broadly 1, Cozen J. Lomax, Jane Crompton, Mr Laur. Lomax and James Hardman.

Robt Milnes sent me 20sh for books, Mr Cotton gave me 8sh for 6, Nath Bottomly gave me 5sh for 4, Will Whitehead gave me 6sh for 5, Ottawel Whitworth gave me 5sh for 5, Mr John Brooksbank sent me 16sh for 12, Mtris Lambert for 12, 16sh.

My Book of Lamentation after the Lord printed feb. 3. 168$\frac{2}{3}$ Mr Parkhurst gave 100 of them, 25 guilded in calves leather. Thus disposed of at London, *guilded*, Mrs Denham, Mtris Hanna, Mrs Mary Denham, Mr Archer, Mr Longbothom, Cozen Hilton, Aunt Case, Mr Leaver, Unkle Mosely, Major Tompson, Mtris Taylour, Mr Marsh, son John, son Eliezer, Mtris Wadsworth, Lady Hewly, Lady Hewet, Mtris Lambert Mtris frankland, my wife, John Kirk, Sister Hilton, *plain*, Mr Edw Hill, Cozen Hill, Mr Long-sister, Mr Jos. Brooksbank, Mr Harrison, Mr Hardcastle, Mr Wheelwright, Judith Cockroft, Brother Crompton, Mr Stancliff, Phœbe King, Cozen Dickson, John Robuck, Adam Ledger, Ben Butler, Mtris Otman, Susan Baxter, Wid Chadwick, Mr Vincent, Mr Vincent, Mr Shallat.

Of those that came into the country, *plain*, Jonath Priestly, James Brooksbank, Tho Leech, Mic. Broadly, Willm Butler, Roger Stocks, Jonas Northen, John Stevenson, Willm Clay, Susan Tillotson, Jeremiah Baxter, Mr Haliday, Mtris Sharp, Dinah Tetley, Mr Hodgson, Mark freeman, John Holdworth John Hartly, Widow Hudson, Anne Northend, Thomas Walker, Thomas Bently, Wm Nailor, Sarah Rushworth, Phœbe Lister, Mr Jas Holdworth, Mr Jo. Brooksbank, James Holsted, Joseph Priestly, John Stot, Mtris Drake, Alice Holt, Anthony Lea, John Kershey, Joshua Walker, John Nickol, Mr Smith,

Mr Cotes John Hardaker, Mary Walker, Antony Naylor, James Smith, Mtris Sale, John Armitage, Joshua Sonyer, Isaac Balm, Willm Robinson, Mr Cotes junr, Mary Sharp, Mtris Earnshaw, Richard Hoyl, Ester Learoyd.

Bought of Francis Bently to give Robert Bins, John Greenwood, Sam Hopkinson, James Pillans, Mtris Cotton, Cozen W. Whitehead, John Hey, Rich Mitchel.

4 Dozen I bought of Mr Parkhurst paid for them 36sh. 2 dozen sent to Nath Tetley to Manchester, Sister Hilton 1, Mr Barlow 1, Aunt Russel 1, Martha Taylor 1, he paid me 14sh. for rest.

Sent for 5 books to Mr Parkhurst Apr. 1. 1683, Mr Jos. Oates, Antony Gill, Ester Learoyd, Tho. Ledgard, Mr Jolly, Mr Oates.

One dozen sent to Cozen James Okey at Bolton, Brother Okey, Cozen Mary Holt, Sister Ester Whitehead, Cozen James Lomax, Cozen Peter Rothwel, James Crompton, Ralph Leaver, Richard Leaver, Miles Partinton, Cozen James Crompton. One dozen sent to Robt Milns at Ratchdal, M Hallows, Mr Ogden, Mr Haslam, Mr Whitworth, rest R.M. paid for. Cozen Angier 1, Sister Coulburn 1.

Received of Mr Parkhurst 2 dozen of Books of my father Angiers life, Sept 26, 1684, other 6 dozen sent, in all 8 dozen. Sent Robert Milnes 12 to Ratchdal whereof to Mr Hallows 1, Mr Scolfield 1. Sent Robt Milnes Oct. 18. 6 Books, sent to Manchester 12 books, sent to Bolton 6. Jonathan Priestly 1, James Brooksbank, Robert Milnes, Jerem Baxter, John Hey, Tho. Leech, Josh Walker, Mtris Taylor, Mtris Cotton, Micael Broadly, Mr Dawson, Tho Bently, John Kirk, Mr Hawden, John Cordingly, William Clay, James Halsted, John Kershey, James Tetley, Mr Thorp, Mr Westby, Mtris Cotton junr, Mr Rich, Sister Mary Angier, Cozen Sam Angier, Mr frankland, Anne Unsworth, Mr Hickson, Mr Bryan Dickson, Mr Rich Wilson, Mr Ralph Spencer, Mark freeman, Mr Will Milner, Mr John Ray, Mr Atkinson, Mr Wadsworth, 6 sent to York, Sir Jo. Hewly, Lady Hewet, Mr Whitaker, Mr Taylor, Mtris Darcy, Antony Lea, Nath Tetley, Mtris Gaskel, Jo Armitage, Tim Holt, Mr Cotes, Mr Crompton, my son Eli 2, Mr Mitchel, Mr Wright, Mr Issot.

Received Octob 1. 1697 from Mr Mathew Pinkerton of Manchester 12 Books of mine Heavenly Concourse who got

them printed, took 200 Books at $4\frac{1}{2}$ in sheets $6\frac{1}{2}$ bound. Given my wife one, Susan Tillotson, Mr Dawson, Jonathan Priestly jun, Mr frankland, Mtris Sharp, Cozen Tho. Worsnam, Lady Hewly, Mr Silvester, my son John, Josiah Stansfield.

I have often been afraid that popery may again overspread England. I am now pressed in spirit (after serious thoughts and prayer) to write down the grounds of my fear this evening being Jan. 26. 168^{0}_{1}.

1 The great and hainous provocations to be found in the land of all sorts, ranks, degrees, and qualitys, high and low, vicious courses, provoking god to leave us to spiritual judgmts.

2 The stupidity, ingratitude of most under those remarkable providences of god, discovrys of plots, preventions thereto, god oft punishing ingratitude with bringing contrary evil.

3 The spirit of Antipathy agt a sound awakening ministry, great unprofitablenes, not receiving truth in the love of it 2 Thes. 2. 11. good ministers growing a burden, god easeth a nation of them.

4. The spirit of Atheism sown by Antcht. hath met with a fruitful soyl in Engl. wh. is a door to popery, it hath strangely ripened within these two years, many are prejured.

5 A grievous spirit of dissension hath sprung up in many churches and among christians, some ministers, of Non-conformists that seemes to lay us under a necessity of scourage by a common enemy.

6 That strange spirit of delusion of the Quakers whose principles, practices, have issued from Rome and tend to it, its popish points though in another dresse, greedily suckt in.

7 The Arminian Doctrines abounding and incouraged as the ready road to prefermt, several whereof directly tend to the establishmt of popery, as freewill, gen. redemption, &c.

8 The strange mincing of popish doctrines by some eminent writers of late, especially in points of merit, justification wch gratify that sort of men and draw on simple soules to a better conceit of popery.

9 Popish ceremonys maintained and made a makebait among protestants being left among us a pledge of the return of the rest of that trumpery and fopperys.

10 Popish offices of Prelates deans, chapters, commissarys, courts, chancellors, officials, their formes of absolution, ex-

communications in latin, all in the same words as in the popish times will probably all goe togather, as they rose togather.

11 The vain old customs that people are fond of will not part with, as times relating to popish masse, chtmas, I abhorre it that so excellent a one as cht. and so abominable an idol as masse should be yokt togather, yet these are so rivetted in people that all goes togather.

12 I fear we never yet were humbled for the sins and idolatry of our forefathers, that so much innocent blood of gods servants was shed in the days of Q. Mary, blood defileth a land and wears not off with length of time.

13 Our neighbour nations of Holland, france, Ireland have tasted bitterly of massacres, barbarous crueltys and are we better than they? have we sympathized with them? born part of their burden.

14 God hath tryed us with a beginning of reformation according to Scripture, and it would not be born, it hath had the sanction of a ——— yet that broken, burnt, decryed, the practice suiting that maxim, no faith to be kept with hereticks.

15 An hopefull useful active parlmt chosen, sitting, voting notably for protestant religion, agt popery, now prorogued, dissolved, banks pull'd up at inundation, coming apace, no resistance.

16 Arbitrary government promoted wch is still a companion of popery and a bait to allure kings to submit themselves to the popes vassalage in a pretence to set up men in gods roome higher then all.

17 A popish successor, active, very potent, rich, hitherto prevalent and the utmost attempts of parliamt not being able to prevail agt him but all endeavours rendred frustraneous and exposed the actors to greater danger.

18 Some mens decrying, denying a popish plot, even among some called protestants, declaring agt the Parlt. our clergymen triumphing at their dissolution, chiefly because they favoured non-conformists.

19 Yea many persons professing they would rather be papists then presbiterians, of the Church of England men it may be god may say even to their choyce, providence may possibly try them.

20 The great prevalence of papists of later times in these nations, all places filled with them, its sd theres 18000 popish priests and jesuites, and by their meetings, carriage, gifts and influence have infected many.

21 Honest ministers themselves have studyed and preached practical divinity, but have much laid aside their weapons agt papists, have not furnished themselves, and others with antidote agt the infection.

22 The common country people have generally an universal antipathy agt popery, yet its grounded on nothing but hearsay or tradition, so many are not papists rather through want of a temptation then right principles.

23 The spirit of prayer much restrained in these nations amongst gods people in comparison of what formerly hath been, people mind their own things not the things of Jesus Cht.

24 General expectation of changes even by a kind of instinct in all good & bad, some fearing, others hoping things will change, there is oft much in impressions on spirits.

25 Multitudes of books on all sides fly abroad, popish pamphlets to pervert protestant antidotes more than ever to render popery ridiculous, god lays in or will leave without excuse.

26 Spectacles, shews, bonefires squibs in London and other places that are very expensive, not very usefull ; that papists deride and serious protestants lament, especially at wt sin is there committed, it bodes no good, as appeares by what preceded the french massacre.

27 Gods preaching visibly from the heavens by a late astonishing comet, reports also of prodigious armys fighting, birds, armes, swords, 3 suns &c, if true they are natural prognosicks, if not moral tokens of a lying spirit prevailing in the world.

28 The strange unexpected liberty of ordinances (reported to be indulged to us in favour to papists) whereby god seemes to give warning and opportunity to lay in for a storm approaching, wch may come on us.

29 Young professors undertaking religion upon convictions falling into the form of it without power, much to be feared a discriminating day may come to fanne winnow and segregate precious from the vile.

30 Graces laid up in gods people wch though sincere yet have

not been tryed but may be by such a dispensation, god seldom gives gifts but he will call them forth to be exercised, that it may be said, heres the faith and patience of the saints.

31 Hitherto the storm hath fallen upon gods ministers, people, the carnal world hath had little share in this 18 years sufferings, and judgment oft begins at the house of god, but woe to such as doe drink the dregs of the cup.

32 Precious ministers and Christians of late taken away, either from evil to come or else gods removing such stakes that the house may fall, stopping their mouths with dust that stood in the gap, and pleaded for us.

33 God pulls down oft before he builds and seemes to destroy before he raise his people, working out of and by contrarys, producing a goodly world out of a chaos thus by terrible things in righteousness, he that acts as the god of our salvation doth, may and will answer us.

34 The predictions of that worthy gracious man Dr Usher having had their accomplishmt exactly in other things why not in this ? outward court-worshippers are likely to be tryed : others very judicious have had the same persuasions.

35 It may be this 18 years exclusion may relate to the prophecying in sackcloth of gods faithfull witnesses, and the time of their staying may be yet to come tho I beleeve (with Durham) it hath its gradual accomplishmt. Rev. 11.

36 Anticht dying will have his ultimos conatus, the strugglings of a dying beast and scripture sth she sits as a queen, see no losse of children when her plagues come in one day, possibly wants must be healed. He must be more cruel to become odious to the kings of the earth, so

37 I perceive the design of Rome is universall agt all protestant churches and I perceive theres an indifferency and neutrality in many states for religion if their civil immunitys may be secured.

38 Universitys and seminarys of learning are wofully corrupted, whereby magistracy and ministry are bowed to a prostitution of conscience (at least many of them) fit for further impressions however not to punish or preach down wickednes.

39 The long continued train of plotting in every reign ever since the reformation, they have been frequently disappointed,

wch questions inrageth them highly, and first the nations are angry and then gods wrath comes Rev. 11.

40 The strange and prodigious advancemt of all papists and popishly affected into all places of honour, trust, civil, military, ecclesiastical, their interest, influence by pretended holines, wit, their autority, armes the power in garrisons, &c., speak us in the eye of reason galloping apace towards Rome.

These things I have suddenly writ down as they come into my mind without consulting authours, or quoting the scriptures, tho I have oft mused on them.

Yet notwithstanding all these sad considerations some things jump into my mind that are grounds of incouragemt wch I shall annex this evening Jan. 27. 168^{0}_{1}.

1 I doe verily beleeve god will not utterly extirpate his church in these nations, nor quite deprive us of the gospel, but as he miraculously sent it at first, continued it in depth of popery and restored it in the reformation so he will preserve it successively to the end of the world.

2 I am persuaded the Lord will at last destroy the pope of Rome, and all the Antichristian Hierachy, and pour out the rest of the vials upon that grand enemy of the church in these gospel times, and as he hath begun to destroy him with the breath of his mouth by gospel preaching so by the brightnes of his coming he will by such instrumts as he shal raise up still more confound him till he be quite consumed.

3 I am firmly persuaded that which soever of gods faithful servants we shall call out to suffer and bear out their testimony for cht., there will be much of the spirit of glory and power resting upon them, it may be more than on gods former witnesses and that they shall give a clearer testimony to the truth, and give a greater blow to Anticht.

4 I doe verily beleeve that the weight of the blow coming upon the protestant churches shall not light so much upon sincere real saints, as upon formall professors, and protestants at large that have only the name but want the thing yet may suffer for the name of being protestants, whether they will or no, wch yet will be a very heavy case.

5 I am very confident that god will have a remnant of his servants that shall be an holy seed wch indeed is the substance

of his church, and as men do reserve their best corn for seed so will god graciously preserve to himself a remnant of sincere converts, whom god will own and crown after that deluge in stocking the world with a rising generation that shall be to the Lords praise and his peoples comfort.

6 I doe beleeve that god will take away multitudes of wicked like drosse and scumme, he will send a purge that shall cleanse the earth, for the earth is corrupted under the inhabitants thereof, yea as rulers sins are greater then other, and themselves above punishment by men, god himself will pour contempt upon the honourable of the earth, for all are alike with him.

7 I think god will purge the sons of Levi, and cleanse his servants from the old leaven of humane traditions, and will return to his people a pure language, scripture language not superstitions paganish, and that they shall serve god with one consent the Lord shall be one and his name one, by an effectuall act of uniformity, joyning hearts and minds in worship.

8 I am persuaded god will raise up the tabernacle of David thats fallen and gather togather the outcasts of Israel that some more considerable numbers of Jews shall be called, and that god will bring down the great Turk, call in more of the heathen nations by the gospel, glorify his name in the world, and give more peace and immunity from persecution then hath been.

9 I hope god will raise up faithfull magistrates over his people and settle pastours after his own heart, and that in these protestant churches, even in England, that god will by good magistrates take away our heavy grievances in church and state, that righteousnes shal more prevail, abound in civil that insnaring ceremonys, oaths, shal be broken pluralitys, non-residencys &c dasht, and things in some measure reduced to Scripture standard, and primitive patternes, taxt deas.

10 I am persuaded that though the storm by popish rage may be sharp, yet it shall be short, and that there is a generation rising up that shall survive the deluge of wrath that is coming upon these nations, and though god may be angry with us yet his anger shall turn away and he will comfort us, and that when wicked men are in the height of their jollity and think all's their own, god will send such a blast upon them

that they shall be suddenly broken, and it may be without hand of man but by some immediate stroke of vengeance.

Afterwards I met with a printed sheet of Bp. Ushers predictions [viz, July 20, 1683,] printed 1678. [Long extracts follow.]

It came into my thoughts this morning July 25, 1683, when I was at prayer in my study, that when my son John was born as my wife was travelling of him, 27 yeares agoe I withdrew myself into this chamber into this very corner, where now my study is made, and there sought god for my wife and J. L. brought me notice of a son born, and I returned to this window praised god, but oh how many pangs and throws have I had in the very same place within this 8 yeares since my study was made there, for that child none but god knows and I have also had occasion and a heart sometimes to be thankfull, and now I am in new straits, still I come to god in the same place.

Having been this day feb. 20. $168\frac{3}{4}$ at W. Clays at a solemne day of fasting and prayer, especially upon publick accounts and having found my heart much moved when J. P. was at prayer, and seeing also some more then ordinary stirrings on the spirits of gods people I was something comforted, and secretly persuaded of gods good will towards his poor people in these nations, though I cannot say whether it may prove deliverance or some preparation and presage of support under sharper tryals; I must confesse things look strangely and doubtfully. I am still confirmed that a scourge we must have in this land, but know not what way, yet I hope god will remember his poor afflicted people, and doe them good in the latter end, yea possibly by some terrible things in righteousnes will god answer us, yet still be the god of our salvation, and shake things on earth to make way for the settlement of his sons interest, possibly the dawning of the day of our deliverance is now, for

1 We never had such a dark day for this 20 yeares and upwards as this is upon many accounts, both civil, and also ecclesiasticall

1 the judg of assize at York told the jury they had received special order for suppressing conventicles, punishing absenters from church the poor 1 sh a sabbath, the rich 20 li a month, found 2 bills, one agt L. Hartley of 200 li for 11 months, another agt Tho English 180 li.

2 they issued out warrants at the Assizes to constables to sup-

presse meetings, W. Snowden our constable came shewed me one March 23, in prosecution of it came to my house.

3 Mr. Greenhaugh of Brandlesome (Justice of Peace in Lanc.) hitherto moderate is now grown unreasonable, fining people for going to Cocky chappel, tho bel was rung, prayers read, &c.

4 there are three informers about Bury have done abundance of mischief, are incouraged (though perjured, apparently) swearing agt. a meeting at Mr. A. though they were not in the house or inner court, heard nothing and seazed 21 beasts of a Quaker for 20 li, sold them.

5 Mr. Gips parson of Bury sd if the constables and church officers will not inform agt dissenters, whose office it is to suppresse them, yet he was glad it was done by those informers tho they might have one ill end therein, saying with Paul, some *in*form out of envy, others of good will, however the work is done therin I rejoyce and will rejoyce.

6 Mr. Roberts at Milroe preacht at Ratchdal on Easter day, March 30, inveighed bitterly agt dissenters, as the worst in the kingdom, saying that all must actively obey, throwing down the distinction of active and passive obedience.

7 Mr. Wood vicar of Sandal expressed himself with such scorn and rage in Jo. Richardsons shop in Wakefield agt the Assemblys Catechism, saying we should be called in question for selling such stuff, using horrid opprobrious language as ever was agt the vilest pamphlet.

8 Mr. P. told me that it was determined amongst the justices at the sheriffs table at Lanc. Assizes that they would not any longer act or prosecute meetings upon the Conventicle Act, that was too moderate, 20li house, 20 preacher, 5 sh a piece hearer, but if any was taken proceed agt them for a riot, then they could fine them ad libitum, so I hear they fined one in 50li for a meeting.

9 Never were meetings so universally broken in London, in all citys, towns, countreys, ministers driven into corners, it is a matter of great wonder how its possible they have been so speedily and successefully suppressed, god hath set up the right hand of the enemy.

10 Many of our conf. are grown to a strange and horrid passe for pride, contempt of their brethren, idlenes, covetousnes, and superstition and too many presumptuous abominations,

its wonderfull to think how not only all piety, but civility, good nature, good manners, are laid aside, even common ingenuity stirring up magistrates to abuse us shamefully.

11 Justice Blithman at the Sessions at Doncaster this year 1684, giving the charge, expressed himself with great fury agt dissenters (tho alas theres few there) saying if these dissenters were but once rid out of the way we should all be quiet.

12 N. Whitley of Rooks at funeral of Mtris Best, at a table rated agt me and Mr Dawson at a strange rate, saying if he lived in the town where we live, he would put us on to be constables, church-wardens, &c, adding that we were no more but laymen.

13 to J. T. who went to gather assessemt he railed strangely agt. me, saying I came indeed to chappel, but I had no mind of it, &c. J. T. sd. wt. if you Mr. H. in heaven, will you not agree there, he ans. but I warrant you he will never come there.

13 [sic] Mr. J. Oates, my neighbour, high constable in Halifax Apr. 5. rated strangely towards me, calling me rogue, traytor rebel, and wt. not saying he hath meetings and will preach, but I will rise out of my bed or I will catch him : peace said W. S. there may be tell-tales here, then he ranted higher, saying I care not who heares.

14 Mr Robinson of Medly said in the hearing of Mr A. L. that he had rather goe to a whore-house then to one of these meetings or conventicles with very many such like words.

15 Justice Peables at Wakefield Sessions giving the charge hector'd it at a strange rate agt dissenters, saying they were traitors, giving the jury a strict charge agt them, as for popish Priests and Jesuites sth he, theres few and they are hard to find, so made light of them.

16 Dr Hook hath writ a strange book called the Royal guard agt dissenters who he sth are greater enemys to king and christ then papists, persuades governours to raise a standing army to suppresse them to be maintained by dissenters fines, &c, strange prodigious things in it, vid. printed A.D. 1684.

17 Mr Hough preacht at the old church at Leeds Dec. 1684, his text was 2 Cor. 5. 17, some officers while he was preaching consulted to put him out of the pulpit as being a N.C.,

to avoid him there some went to new church in afternoon, found him there, the curate laught, did wt he could to set others on laughing, A. P. diverted himself with reading the common prayer book while Mr. H. preacht, they have cited him for not praying right for the king ; saying he was a Presbit. for 3 things, 1 for matter, 2 manner, 3 length of his sermons, for 1 in speaking of such enthusiastical points, 2 manner — in his zeal, affectionatenes, 3 length — they were tyred before he had half done.

Sermon notes of my owne preaching of later date, not made up into bookes, thus digested July 20. 1680. [This note follows a list of texts he had preached from, Gen. to Rev., and is followed by a shorter list of 179 texts : Gen. to Rev.] At this instant the notes of my sermons not made into Books or sticht are made up into six bundles March 27, 1686, and laid in the fir-deel box, under my desk in my study 1 from Genesis to Psalms, 2 Psalms to Isaiah, 3 Isai. to Mathew 4 Math to Romans 5 Romans to Heb. 6 Heb. to the end.

I am moved at last after many years travels in my Lords work (having from year to year set down my journeyings and labours in the gospel since my ejection) to look over this last scene of my life viz from Mch. 24, $166\frac{5}{6}$, which was the day that the banishing Act agt poor Non-conformists took place, called 5 mile Act, at which time I begun my diary, and now this day which is Jan. 3. 1681, I have thought good to recollect the totall summ of all for these several reasons (it was $166\frac{5}{6}$)

1 That I might in this respect also number my days according to that prayer Psalm 90. 12, at least to know thereby how my time passeth, which I find is more quick in motion then I was aware, and reflect on what I have done or misdone in my by-past days.

2 That I may be someway suitable to gods dispensations and observation, thou tellest my wanderings Psal. 56. 8, and shall my Lord take notice of my wandring, and shall not I ? god reckons Israels wildernes-stages and requires them to remember them Deut. 8. 2.

3 Gods servants in Scripture have reckoned their voyages and wt befell them, so Jacob, Gen. 48. 7. 15, Paul reckoned his voyages 2 Cor. 11. 23, somthing I may say through grace of my labours, though far short of blessed Paul.

4 This may vindicate our persons and work in the sight of men

that asperse us for idlenes, and say they wonder wt we doe, thinking we have easy lives, so Paul sd, 2 Cor. 11. 26, in journeys oft, thus he vindicated his ministry, v. 23, and so may we, we can appeal therin to our Lord

5 hereby appears the strange providence of god in crossing mens designs they shut our mouths, god opens them wider, they scatter, god gathers people, they confine, god inlargeth, they banish, god makes every place a home, a Bethel, so Satan is out-shot in his own bow, Gen. 50. 20, Deut. 23. 5.

6 The review of by-past providences may in after times be of singular use to mine own soule in humbling my heart, making me trust in god for the future, in greater straits, not to despair whatever may befal me since the same god is alsufficient, Sam. 3. 19. 20, 2 cor. 1. 7. 8.

7 There is a necessity of setting streight my accounts, so taking a view of my life and actings, for god will call me to an account of my stewardship in improving gifts, spending my time, oh that I could keep right reckoning and could say as gods servants, Isai, 38. 3., 2 Cor. 1. 12.

8 By this meanes I discover and consider where I have been sowing the seed of the word that I may observe how it comes up, what fruits it brings forth, my case is paralel to theirs, Mat. 10. 23. I remained little in a place but oh that my fruit may remain! John 15. 16. it may be the fruit will spring when I am gone John 4. 37 : 10. 41, 42.

8 This may be an example to my sons to quicken them to diligence and painfulnes in their masters work, since they are also devoted to god and now ingaged in the Lords work, and in me they may read a monument of divine providence, though turned out by men, yet taken in by god, and as much imployed as ever, if they be debarred of service in one place, god will open a door in another, and if god cut out work he will cut out a reward, tho I am most unworthy yet can say as Paul 1 Cor. 11. 1 : 1 Thes. 2. 1. 11.

10 What I act or declare herein I own al gods glory chiefly who hath both called me by his grace to the ministry, provided work for me, and given me an heart to imbrace, calls to doe my Lord service, strength of body and mind therein, some comfortable successe, caused my troubles for the gospel to tend to the furtherance of the gospel, that I might be of some use in my generation, Phi. 1. 12, 1 Cor. 10. 31.

Week-day Sermons at home and abroad.

Anno Dom.	Sermons	Fasts	Days of thanks-giving	Miles travelled	Baptized.
1665	26	18	3	600	
1666	60	20	3	700	
1667	89	20	7	900	
1668	69	18	3	700	
1669	48	16	4	600	
1670	53	20	8	530	
1671	55	29	5	870	
1672	62	28	8	728	
1673	69	30	3	1070	
1674	72	33	5	910	
1675	48			1097	
1676	67	56	12	1052	
1677	60	40	8	1198	
1678	64	50	4	1034	
1679	77	52	7	1386	
1680	91	53	8	1250	
1681	105	50	9	1400	
1682	100	41	12	1100	
1683	109	49	7	900	
1684	126	51	7	746	
1685*	74	8		70	
1686	132	37	15	1004	
1687	124	44	15	1400	
1688	132	42	14	1300	
1689	131	34	8	1358	
1690	135	40	17	1100	
1691	103	37	11	833 sick	
1692	97	49	14	966	25
1693	109	35	12	841	22
1694	90	38	17	735	23
1695†	70	38	5	700	12

* the year I lay prisoner at York, from Jan 26 to Dec. 19.

† 7 conferences of ministers, writ 6 Treatises, (2 printed)

Week-day Sermons at home and abroad—*continued.*

A.D.	Sermons.	Fasts	Thanks.	Miles Travel.	Bapt.	Writ Treatises	Writ Letters
1696	85	34	15	700	17	6	
1697	82	40	15	700	12	4	100
1698*	78	34	16	410	11	4	123
1699†	67	36	9	300	13	4	120
1700‡	45	22	3	157	8	7	147

* 6 meetings of ministers. † 4 meetings. ‡ 8 conferences.

Dec. 13, 1681 in the night there came some thieves to my house, pickt the lock, or shot back the barre rather of the oven-house door, thought it was a contrivance devised purposely to prevent thieves, yet they were too cunning, and got in, stole three hens, however they took not all, but they took up a bruing-pan set in brick over a furnace, and had opened the barn-doores, though we missed nothing except they took a little straw, our maid came in the morning and told us there was a robbery, we sate still and went not with a privy search, but spoke of it, so that it was much noysed abroad, and we were apt to think it would come out in time for it was bound about the top with yron, and little plates to fasten it in the brick, we had it many yeares agoe, above 20 years, in my first wives days, therefore cannot tell what it cost, but imagine near 20sh. After we had let it rest awhile, upon Saturday Dec. 31, 1681, came a boy from Halifax bringing us a messuge from James Scolfield the constable of Northourum to desire us to come and own our pan at John Jacksons in Halifax, which was thus discovered. One Jane Reiner, daughter to Joseph Reiner, living at Baraclough lane head in South-ourum, a joyner. She and her mother brought a panne to a tinklers house in Begrington in our town, neither the tinkler nor his wife were at home, the women stayed long, urged the lad his son to cut the panne in pieces to make patches, he refused, they would have him to borrow 6d upon the panne to fetch ale, he

would not, they gave him a pinner and quoit to pawn for 6 penyworth of ale wch he did, they drunk it, then would have him take his mothers apron and pawn it in the roome of those things, he refused, they threatened and abused the lad, so went away, the next day when the tinkler was at home they came again, or only the daughter as I remember, the tinkler was angry they had abused his lad, so wn this Jane Reiner came, the tinkler got a neighbour to come in and be witnes that she brought the panne, he asked her before that man whether she brought nothing but the panne, she sd yes, there were two pounds of feathers, bear witnes sd he to that man, then threatened her for abusing his lad, this was the occasion of the discovery, for its sd. the tinkler and his wife were bad enough and had receited several things formerly, but thus god would have it, then the tinkler sent for the constable of Northourum seized the women and panne, brought her to Halifax and so sent to us, but our maid being gone to Halifax before and being by several advised not to own the panne because it would be more cost and trouble in the prosecution then it was worth, and not knowing our mind in it, kept herself out of the way, and did not own it, wch put to more trouble afterwards, but the same day they sent a messenger from Halifax to my house with the panne to set in the hole and try whether it fitted it, but the yron band been taken off, and being disfigured by bunging and bruising, my wife could not be ceartain that it was ours and so suspended in our thoughts of prosecution, in the mean time the constable went with this Jane Reiner to Justice Horton of Barsland, making her carry the panne, and ordered her to the house of correction though she stiffely denyed that she brought the panne to the tinkler, agt his clear evidence, she had fine clothes upon her far beyond her degree. In the meantime there passed much talk amongst people, all persons saying with confidence the panne was ours, wondering we did not own it, saying it was but to prevent cost and trouble, the bailiffs sd they would cry it at the crosse with some other unowned goods wch they found, yea one sent us word that if we would not own it, we should be questioned about it whether we thought it was ours or no, but the main reason was that Willm Walker of Walterclough had searcht this Joseph Reiners house, found many things that had been stollen many yeares before, had got a warrant, was

provoked by some opposition by Reiner and his daughters for they had fought him, he got Reiner apprehended, put in the house of correction, and many more having discovered the confederacy, he sent to us to testify what we knew, whereupon the week following viz Jan. 7. we sent our maid (who knew the panne better than either I or my wife) to the constables house, to know the panne, wch she did, and by two marks wch she found in it confidently affirmed it was ours, so she resolved to goe to the justice on munday, W. Walker sd he would goe with her, appointing time and place to meet in Halifax, but he came not though she lingered there al day, for it seemes he was sent for to Wakefield to clap up another of Reiners daughters in the house of correction in a fine crape gown, and another at another time, so there was three daughters, but the mother had made an escape, upon tuesday Jan 10, she went early to James Scolfields house, he went with her to Barsland, they stayed there waiting for the justices coming home, dining, then he examined her, she affirmed it was ours, but took not her oath, took her bound in 20 li. to appear at the Sessions at Wakefield the friday following, made the bond himself in his clarks absence, bad her goe and view it wel before she swore to be sure, carryed lovingly, presented his respects to me, sd we did very wel to owne it, she came home, went that week to the constable brought the panne home, was further confirmed it was ours, whereupon she made ready to goe early on friday morning, set out before 5 a clock, it being moonlight, called at Joseph Wrights at Hipperholm whose son went with her, she not knowing the way, as they went they met with some of Ealand that went as witnesses upon the like account agt theeves (for there were abundance of cases of that nature at that sessions) but it was an excessive rain, waters were much out so they had hazzardous going, about Dewsbury they met with a man that told them it was impossible to ride the water, but those men said goe they must, being in bonds, either wade it or swim, so god brought them all safely through, and to Wakefield presently after 9 a clock, but they were not called that day, but were forced to stay Saturday, then she got her inditement drawn, wch cost a shilling, she met with kindness of every one even bailiffs for my sake, they told her Reiners daughter would face her down, but the justices cald her at another side of the court, askt her what she knew of that panne, she tooke her oath

it was ours, but had nothing to say who took it, but referred it to the tinklers lad, who swore that Jane Reiner brought it to his fathers, then being dismist she was conducted to the jury who examined her, asking her whose the panne was, she sd Mr Heywoods, wt sth one of them, Oliver Heywood, he's the greatest conventicler in all the country, strange that he should persecute folks for stealing a panne ! They were doomed to be whipt, some sd they had not known a jury so favourable to theeves. So Joseph Reiner and his 3 daughters were whipt successively one after another from the courthouse to the bull, and one of them had denyed her name, and as the man whipt her he sd this great blow he gave her for denying her name, thus they were punisht and to be released paying their fees in the house of correction, only old Joseph Reiner having been a notorious thief above 30 yeares, Mr Wakefield lays something agt him for breaking his house, and many others came in, for he and his wife have done abundance of mischief, as is now found out.

My maid lodged at Mr. francis Mauds both nights who marryed Will. Walker's daughter, was kindly entertained, both she and her horse. Lords day morning they set forwards, Mr Wakefield stayd at the meeting at Heckmondwyk, she came home, still it continued abundance of rain, at Milnes brig there was no passage, at little town W. Walkers man had set down sticks to know the way in the water, so guided them over, she parted with her company at Lightliff, so came home by two a clock, blessed be god for his wise ordering this affair throughout, that justice is executed, theeves discouraged, and honest persons protected by the laws in their just proprietys. Lord hear our prayers for these poor thieves conversion.

An observable providence.

Nov. 5. 1682, at Topliff-hall, Mr John Holdworth preaching, in time of intermission, which was about half-an-hour, a youth (that lived near Mtris Marsdens) was looking into a draw-well near the hall and several other people pressing towards it, to look at it, being a strange one, going with a wheel and device, they pressed so hard that they thrust the youth into the draw-well, it was 50 yards deep, a little water in the bottom, there was no rope at it, they got two wain-ropes, let them down, the young man fastened himself in them, they puld him up, he was not hurt, but a scar on his chin, and bruise on his

leg wch was a gracious and wonderful providence that he was not dashed in peeces on the bucket in the bottom, god therein consulted the credit of religion, the lives of many, as well as his life, blessed be god, Mr John Holdworth, the preacher told me of it the evening of the same day.

This day John Scolfield told me that on Tuesday last, which was Nov. 28. '82 as he was going from his own house at Bins to Southourum (going towards Bradford-fair) about break of day suddenly there appeared a dreadfull blazing light as if it had been the sun at noon-day but more red and gloring [glaring], he turned him about to look, and southwards he saw an huge great body of fire that boled up and darted forth huge great sparklings, dreadfull to behold, he was much amazed, it continued as long as one might goe 30 or 40 yards. El. Brocter saw it as she lay in her bed shining in the parlour as if it had been a continued lightening, she told me of it the same day, and sd she thought her husband had been in the garden with a lanthorn, though it was far greater light, their family in the house saw it. W. Walker of Walterclough saw it, a boy of his was so affrighted that he cryed out as if distracted, his master was glad to hold him, multitudes more saw it. Lord affect our hearts herewith, I think of that passage Exod. 4. 8. Others said it was as if the heavens opened, some say it made a frightful noyse as it came, some affirme a thundering, others as burning of brakens, or gorses. J. D. sth it was also seen about Leeds the morning after, wch was Nov. 27.

On Lords day Nov. 19, 1682, at Wapping near London there was a terrible fire brake out, it began in a wood-yard, it burnt above 1000 houses, dislodged 3000 familys, 100 people were burnt or killed, it was very terrible, many storys are about it, that it began just therabouts where the effigies of the pope was drowned because they would not suffer it to be burnt, that a man was taken with fire-balls in his pocket.

The persons, ministers and others whom I have sent up with a relation of their troubles to Mr. S. A.D. 1680, Dec. 12.

1 Mr Henry Root his imprison-ment	2 Mr Timothy Root, ditto
3 Mr Joshua Kerby's imprisonmt	4 Mr O. Heywood's troubles
5 Mr Nath Heywood's troubles	6 francis Binghams troubles
7 Thomas Robuck	8 Nicolas Bradsbury
9 Samuel Ellison	10 Timothy Breadbury

11 Jonathan Elsworth
12 Richard Buxtons
13 Benjamin goodier
14 Jane Robuck
15 Mr Hardcastle
16 Mr Hawden
17 Sarah Patience
18 John Lang
19 William Robuck.

It fell a dreadful storm of snow and wind that set it on with great astonishment, Jan. 11. 1689-90, that I hear this morning feb. 1. that 8 several persons were lost that night in these parts of Yorkshire, Bently wife near Halifax, 2 women infolded in each others armes above Heptonstal, a man on Rumbles-moor, another on Bradford-moor, &c., and yesterday M. P. (that was kept a prisoner in Lanc. by snow 3 weeks) told me it was sd that in Lanc. 100 were lost, it kept me at home and off horseback 3 whole weekes.

On Lords day Nov. 2. '84 as I and my son John and cozen R. Heywood riding to Coley-chappell, near Sinder-hills, spyed a bright cloud like a rainbow near the sun, about 10 a clock forenoon, it was long at first, when I saw it first I took not much notice of it, thinking it to be a rain-bow, but considering it, that it was near the sun (about 4 yards west of it) not opposite to it as a rainbow is, I thought it might be a parelios or reflected sun, then it grew both more round and also brighter, we beheld it about half-an-hour. Mr. E., and J. N. saw it and many more ; after we had sate a while in the house and were going out S. R. shewed us another about the same distance from the sun on the other side, Eastward, as bright as the other, tho not so bright as the true sun, but shiny, somthing watery, like the brightest colour in a rainbow, this also continued till we were gone into the chappel, I never saw the like, it was a considerable snow that day, and a sharp frost, some sd it betokened a long frost and storm, gods will be done.

I have frequently observed that still as I have given anything to the poor, god hath unexpectedly sent it in again, but have neglected to set it down. Now I would note experimts of this nature, 1 on June 1, 1683, having given M.R. a gracious woman, half-a-crown, and J.M. a shilling, as soon as I came home that night a letter came from Wakefield with a token from T.D. of half-a-crown and 6d. from a maidservant from whom I never had any before, and had no reason to expect. 2, June 5, being at Halifax at the funeral of W. Naylors child (a poor man) I took him aside, askt him, if he

wanted not some money for that occasion, he sd yes, desired me to lend him 10sh, I did, before I went out of town M.J. gave me 6sh. and R.M. 3sh. 6d. blessed be god. W.N. wife sd it was a great kindnes, he brought it again, Nov. 8. 83. [This last paragraph is crossed off.]

On friday Octob. 24, 1684, it begun to be exceeding cold and in the afternoon it fell a considerable showr of snow where I was (viz. at Haigh) saturday morning it was an hard frost, on munday I saw lads at Denby sliding on yces, that afternoon and tuesday morning it snowed a good quantity, kept freezing, on the friday an extreme sharp strong wind, on Saturday it fell a great deal of snow, still freezing strongly, that was Novemb. 1 : it continued freezing Lords day, munday, on tuesday morning it thawed, yet blew excessively, yet was very cold, before night, it froze again continued two or three days, on wednesday uight it thawed, so thursday, friday, &c, Saturday it misled [mizzled] and rained, so on munday, tuesday night Nov. 11. it froze hard, on wednesday night Nov. 12. it thawed, on thursday night it fell abundance of rain, frost and snow most of it gone, on friday night Nov. 14, it froze very hard again, saturday morning it fell some snow, frost continued till Wednesday Nov. 19, that day it snowed all forenoon, rained in the edg of evening, froze again that night, on thursday it thawed, rained abundantly at night, so continued, wind, rain, thaw till Nov. 29, on Saturday night, and Lords day morning Nov. 30, it was frozen pretty hard, held about 2 days, thawed upon Dec. 4. it was frozen again tho not hard, yet was slippery, at night it thawed, so continued till Lord's day, that day, Dec. 7, it was a sharp frost, very bitter, but thawed next day, on tuesday morning it froze again [and so varied till Jan. 15.]

In the year 1692 the winter was very sharp, much snow, long storme, the spring very cold and late, so that people despaired of fruit, corn ; the summer was very wet, sadly raining for a long time, that people were long in getting their hay, and great floods swept away much, many sheep dyed of the rot. Yet on Aug. 20 it took up, was very fair, a good harvest, rich crop, so that many that expected scarcity and bought up corn I hope will be disappointed, this is Aug. 31. 92.

This winter hitherto hath proved very fair, little short

frosts, little rain, little snow, that would not cover the shoe, lay not a week about Dec., a strange february for dry and fair weather, dust in some places, this is March 14, 169$\frac{3}{4}$.

The winter 1682 (that winter in which I was at London) was an exceeding calme mild winter, little cold, we set towards London Dec. 25. 1682, had little rain or snow, little frost, only the last day of my travels, that day I came home which was feb. 13, then it was a sharp frost in the morning but thawed that night.

But this year winter began early, it was very cold weather, in September and Octob., and now and then frosty nights Nov. 16, 1683 it begun to freeze pretty briskly, tho it was a fair sunshine day, continued several days, now and then little thaws but froze again oft the same day or night from Nov. 25 to Dec. 1, it changed in that week 3 times, a day and night it froze violently, another day thawed, rained, though it never thawed to the bottom, therefore may be reckoned one continued storm, Nov. 29 was very dirty, slabbery, but the day after it was a very hard frost, and from that time it continued without intermission, constantly freezing many weeks, Dec. 5. it fell a considerable snow, but thawing now and then a little it made it so exceeding slippery that it was dangerous passing, many got sore falls, brake arms, legs, J. D. sd he had a good trade of late, god wonderfully preserved me in all my journeys, blessed be his name. Calder was frozen clear over, J. S. told me he saw 100 people on the ice at Ealand bridg, on Sabboth day, playing, sliding, Dec. 30. 83, the river Air by Leeds, Ouse by York, Thames by London, frozen an incredible thicknes, so that they make booths, fires on it, roast beef, &c. Dec. 11. being friday it seemed as if it thawed, not freezing, was warmer, yet no appearance much of thawing, so that it was disputable, early on Saturday morning it both rained and froze as it fell, made slippery way, it begun to freeze again before Lords day morning, but on Lords day night Jan. 13, it fell to freezing keenly and made the way dangerous, yet it fell some snow on tuesday and more on friday Jan. 18, was a very bitter day, that day Jo. Brooksbank was buryed. [similarly changeable to Feb. 20.]

I observe theres more flitting of habitation this year, viz May 1680, then formerly in this chappelry of Coley.

1 Tho. Gill from Westercroft to Southourum.

2 Tim Rushworth from his house to Coley-hall
Danl Empsal to his house by Soud-house
3 Tho. Soytel from Jackroyd to J. Learoyds
4 Will Naylour from Hal-houses to Quarlers
Persons flitting at a distance—
1 Capt Hodgson from Cromwel-bottom to Rippon
2 Mr Nolson from Barsland to Medley
3 Sister Ester—her son from Little Leaver to Bent-hal in Lautherdal in Craven.

Mtris Law of Halifax built the house Cockell that Ab. Holts lived in, and it was reared June 26, 1682.

Mr Joseph Hall built Roger Stocks house in Northourum, begun May 21, was reared June 28, 1682.

James Tetley builded 2 Bays at Dinah's house which he purchased at Norwood-green, April 1688.

Jonathan Priestly built a new house at Westercroft, begun May 1688.

Thomas Leach built Riddlesden-hall in part of A.D. 1687, the new hall April 1688.

I built my meeting place in Northourum, laid foundation April, 1688

Joseph Crowther built his fine house on Ourum green 1690

We built our school-house on Ourum green, 1693.

Mtris Drake of Manchester built John Hills at Stump crosse A.d. 1693

Joshua Wright inlarged, built his house in Hipperholm, 1693.

Mr Edward Langly built a great part of his house in Hipperholm 1692.

Lent James Brooksbank Mr Boltons Discourse of true Happiness.

Hic contendemus, alibi coronemur.

This is the full copy of the "Vellum Book" lent me by Mr. Isaac Heywood of Mansfield. The Register portion is printed in the NORTHOURUM REGISTER.

A note book bearing the Autograph of Mr Oliver Heywood was also sent me. It does not seem to be his writing, however, although written about 1650. It consists of notes from *Horæ Vaciuæ by John Hall, De la Serre's Observations, Howel's Epistles, &c., &c.* There is no personal reference to Mr Heywood in the book.

Mr. Heywood's "Rawson" Volume:

1678-1682.

[This MS. of 106 pages has lost its cover, and the first and last leaves. The following note accompanies it: "The existence of these leaves was communicated to me by the Rev. J. Hunter to whom they had been lent through Mr. Protheroe by Mr. W. H. Rawson, of Mill House, Halifax. He had found them amongst some papers belonging to the late Mr. Ferguson. Upon my informing Mr. Rawson that I was in possession of most of Mr. O. Heywood's MSS. and wished to collect others as I had an opportunity, and that I felt a particular interest in them as my wife is a direct descendant of Mr. O.H. (his great-great-grand-daughter) Mr. Rawson most kindly directed Mr. Protheroe to desire Mr. Hunter to send these leaves to me. Richard Astley. July 1846." They now belong to Mr. Roberts who married Miss Astley.]

* * * * * other concernes he hath upon him, his estate is but 140li a year at most, he hath built a fine house at Lassel-hall that cost him abundance of mony, he told my friend he set down what it lay him in till it came to 900li, then gave over, having built garden wals &c since, and now he is likely to be undone; they are getting an extent upon his land, he despaires of standing, intends to give up house, table his wife and pretty children, they have sued with Mtris Bat but in vain who proves that her husband was stated in no bond for it was either morgaged to her mother Mtris Horton, or purchased by her and settled upon the children, so she lives in prosperity with her family, as unconcerned in these intanglements, when others suffer for her husbands failure who dyed in many thousand pounds debt, thus the world goes, this is Sept. 3. 1678.

4 Upon Mtris Denhams invitation, Mr. Dawson, my wife and I went to Booths town to Mr. Joseph Halls upon Sept. 3. 1678, and were desired to spend some time in prayer, we were willing, but great care and caution there was where we should be, and tho we came thither at a clock yet we stayed an hour and a half discoursing and debating before we begun, at last they settled upon Mary Bentlys parlour * * * discourse Mtris Denham, a preacher told me that

in London when they have a desire of such an occasion they can get ministers enow, but nobody will give them house-room ; she mentioned one Lady that desired such an opportunity and designed a publick Hall for the place but could not have it for that day. there was a funeral solemnity from it, or in it, Mtris Denham went to three or four houses, all conventicle and members of churches Dr. Jacombs, Dr. Anesleys, &c, but they utterly denyed them that liberty, at last they were forced to take Mr Denhams house tho lesse convenient because strait of roome. I askt her if these were not accustomed to keep private days, she answered no, complained much of professors greedy following the world indifferency in religion, &c., a sad omen.

5. Mr. Hancock living at Shacklock-hall within a mile of Sheffield, and Mr. Bloom at Addercliff a mile east of Sheffield joyned sweetly togather in preaching the gospel as brethren, united their strength and people in setting up the Lord's Supper An. d. 1676, and carryed on the work very comfortably without disturbance from abroad or dissention at home, god blessing their labours, till that evil one envying that unity and successe cast a bone of contention betwixt them which was this: they had a notion amongst them that it would prove very convenient to erect a meeting-place in the midway betwixt * * though not above a mile distant : to this end they made all the friends they could to procure money to build this new chappel, they were both at London about it, tho at several times, supplying at home for each other, and found great incouragemt. Dr. Anesley for his share had got 20li. among his hearers, &c., but it was suggested that the Bishop would not permit it, some would have tryed, others thought it not fit so to provoke governours, a dispute was raised, the work hindred, animositys begot which were something increased by Mr. Bloom and his people about Addercliff s taking a barn, making windows, doores, pulpit, seats, and all things very convenient for a meeting-place, and a pretty place it is amongst his own people (where he was formerly minister at Addercliff), this act was not well resented by Mr. Hancock, it being appropriated and (as he interpreted) exclusive of him therefore will not own it nor preach in it but (as I understood from himself) preacht at Addercliff in a private

house at the same time Mr. Bloom was preaching in his meeting-place (besides the old and publick chappel of the town where they have a conformist,) thus divisions and hart-burnings are grown amongst them. Some brethren have taken pains to reconcile them, since the difference is so small, but not with that successe as could be desired, this is not publickly known but guessed at however, its matter of lamentation, heavy prognostick Dr. Annesley knows not how to dispose of the means.

6. Mr. John Haliday of Morley dyed and was buryed at whose funeral I was. He was an honest man and very usefull in his place, a promoter of good, had been Lord Savel of Hoolys Steward, great lamentation was made at his funeral but his eldest daughter exceeded, would needs dye, would not be pacified tho I like not such fondnes—at his house (both before and after his death) was tabled Mr. David Noble and his wife, and several of his schollars amongst which was one Ibitson, son to an Alderman of Leeds, this youth and Halidays daughter were too kind, she proved with child, tho he is but a child, it was sd she was too wanton and liked to be in the chambers with the yong men ; when it was whispered Ibitsons father sent for him, sent him beyond sea, the young woman utterly denyed any such thing, when it was palpable threatened to sue any that should say she was with child, tis sd she used several meanes to poyson or stifle it in the womb, but guilt and shame will out with greater advantage and aggravation, at last she travelled, was delivered of a perfect man child on munday night Sept. 2. 1678, to the great grief of her mother, gods dishonour and her guilt and perpetual disgrace. There are many sad aggravations of this sin, 1 inticing a youth, 2 denying, yea endeavouring to hurt the infant, 3 being in such a family of note for religion, 4 at such a season, Mr. Noble being in prison in York Castle at this time upon a capias, &c.
7. On Lords day Aug. 25, 78, there was 5 conformable preachers at Burstall church (Mr. As——, Mr. Bas——, Mr. farrar, Mr. Dig——) and something tis likely there was done like preaching in the forenoon, but in the afternooon there was nothing like a sermon, but some prayers read, and reading the Act for burying in Woollen, wch is severely observed,

and many persons are brought into abundance of trouble about it, tis 5 li forfeiture.

8. Mr. Sale having been struck with a palsey, the one side taken from him, he lyes in his bed. I went to visit him on thursday Aug. 22, 78, sate there two houres, discoursed of what god helpt me, though was much diverted with other discourses. I sate and thought surely they will ask me to goe to prayer since I came 7 miles purposely to see him, but they did not, Mtris Sale was saying they must have a private day for him and her daughter Cook, near her time, (she dyed) askt me to remember them at home, &c, I came away, upon Friday Sept. 6, they appointed a fast, but gave no notice to me nor any other men, so that there was not a man at that fast, neither minister nor private christian to be imployed in the work of the day but their son-in-law Mr Sharp, another man indeed was there but I questione whether exercised, whereas there are divers good christians at Bramley, farsly,—that knew nothing of it, as, Sam Wilkinson of Bramley told me the week following, Alas, alas, Religion is wofully gone to decay in good old Mr Wales' town, Pudsey, Lord pitty.

Upon Friday Sept. 13, 1678, I went according to promise to visit Mr Whitehurst, and he not being at home (tho she sent for him to Bradford and he came) his wife and I walked out to see the meeting-place, &c., walking in the garden she told me of some fruit trees her husband brought into this country, set them in the garden at Kipping, John Halls son (a youth of about 9 or 10 old) cut them unhansomly, being askt why he did so, so said he did it on purpose, for sd he, what hath he to doe to set trees in our garden. This (she said) was the first occasion of their vast differences and irreparable breaches in their churches, which is grown so high that though meanes have been used for healing, yet things grow worse and more incurable dayly, they desiring a dismission the other will not grant it, they take it, bitter speeches proceed out of their lips agt each other. I had heard the complaints of Joseph Lister, George Ward, on one side, and now John Foster, John Jewet, with Mr. Whitehurst represented the matter to me otherwise on other side, how contrary are they, Mr. Wh. gave me some copys of their wrangling letters, what the dissenting brethern lay to his

charge, and his answers. They charge him with going off his and their principles in both doctrine and discipline, as to the former they say (1) that the pastour preaching from Mat. 25 sd that the waking virgins must needs make the midnight cry, there meant, to prove that, he said there might be 7 or 8 of the virgins asleep and the rest might be waking, (2) that the covenant or law given to Israel at Sinai was a covenant of life as given to Israel to work out life by that covenant, that Israel was under a mixt mutable and conditional covenant, (3) that the ministry of the law signifys nothing, and the convictions repentings, humblings that are wrought by it do no good, if it goe so far, it terminates in Judas's repentance, that he never knew such legall preaching doe good, but fill the country full of hypocrites, and such as turn in to publick hearing, (4) that faith is not so much as a condition [causa sine quâ non, so they phrase it] of our justification, or of any benefit of the covenant of grace, &c: this writ (with much more) 20d of 7th month 1678, to wch Mr. Wh. and the church answer by denying some things, qualifying others. The charge as to discipline contains 4 things—(1) that he pressed persons to come into church-relation long, with such words as these: (1) soul, wantst thou clearnes about thy state, communion with god, the light of his countenance then blame thyself for it is because thou comest not into the church, the gospel-vineyard, (2) Cht. sth if you love me keep my comts, and Cht. commands us to celebrate the supper-ordinance, now (sth the pastor) such as will not come into the vineyard, and put themselves into a capacity to partake of the supper-ordinance can doe nothing for Cht. (3) such as are not church-members in the gospel-vineyard, are in the devils kingdom [wch they disallow in his sense of a particular church relation] 2d thing as to discipline is the pastors fuming and storming so much at an honest and harmles question propounded by a brother, wherein inquiry was but made, [whether the Lord Jesus have left liberty for churches to prove doctrines and to object and signify a dislike, if it have, then when the liberty must be exercised,] this he (1) called a devillish question, saying it was hatcht in hell, (2) storming at 3 or 4 brethren meeting humbly to

intreat the Lords face and beg direction how to perform their duty herin, (3) this he called a meeting to plot agt. him, giving them a charge never to meet any more without him, either to consult or pray, (4) they alledging Act. 17. 11, he bad them search the Scriptures at home, as long as we would, so they did not trouble him with their objections, (5) saying at other times one fool may start more objections than 100 wisemen could answer, (6) denying still any Scripture warrant for such a practice, except it be of prophets who may object (7) that it hath been the destruction of all the churches in N. Engl. and will be the destruction of all the churches in O.E. if it be allowed, (8) what he did grant in this case he did grant for peace-sake, (9) sometimes in peevishnes and passion he would say, let who will object, and where they will, at market-crosse if they please, (10) yet wn any obj: have been made as privatly as could be, yet for so doing we are accused and condemned of putting out the light of the gospel, opposing the truth, hindring Chts exaltation, studying to find out wily inventions to evade the truth, shutting the church-doores, or bringing it to what sad passe it is, &c. 3 Another thing pertaining to discipline is, that it is so plainly denyed that the church is superiour to the officers, the pastour positively asserting that he is the head of the church and that the church can doe nothing without him. This brings in arbitrary power, implicit faith, contrary to Col. 4. 17, Rev. 2. 1. (4) another disorder is that matters in church admitting disputes or debates are to be issued by majority or pluralty of votes, wch we say may sometimes be agt. the rules of Cht, &c., if this be the balance in wch truth and error, good and evil, are to be weighed, we are like to be found light, and so must of necessity turn our backs upon you &c, these things are pressed by the dissenters, the pastour and church write many things in answer thereto, too large to transcribe but my heart is sadded [sic] with what is written and spoken agt each other, the with-drawing saying if it was any thing but sin and soules they could bear it, the other saying they would ruine their pastour, banish him out of the countrey &c, and much more. They that withdraw have set up a preaching amongst themselves at Kipping every Lords day,

draw off several members and hearers from Mr Whitehurst, some say they will gather a church—however much animosity and wrath is amongst them wch is an heavy omen of breaking our assemblys. I told them this was the fruit of giving leave to private men excercising their gifts publicly as they have long practised, and gave some instances of the sad consequences of it, and wisht chtians way of excercising gifts were clearly stated and stinted according to scripture rule, tis true, they look on me as a presbiterian and professe themselves independants, yet seem to be willing to referre their matter to Mr. Sharp and me and two of their own, provided the dissenting party will professe a willingnes for accommadation and submit their course to able, judicious, and moderate persons, but with all they judg and too often call them implacable, and tales are told of each other to increase breaches so that theres little hopes of agreemt, so that by all this god is provoked, spirit is grieved, gospel retarded, wicked hardened, saints ashamed, religion exposed to the contempt of prophane, and judgments on the nation dragd down from heaven. Lord humble, pardon, reform these things.

[On the margin:]—The brethren withdrawing and church met, agreed, prayd together, shook hands, sd all differences shall be buryed under that stone, &c, appointed a day of pen., renewing of covenant; in the —— of John Had—, Joseph Lister, George —— stood up, desired a dismission so all was broke the day previous they separate, dissentions increase since, the matter seems past healing, that healing was above half a year agoe, this is Sept. 27. 1678.

10. On Lords day night Sept. 15. 78, I and my wife were all night at Willm Wadsworths at Alverthorp, he came home from Topliffe, and in our discourse we fell into a debate concerning church-matters, they told me that 4 or 5 were excommunicated out of that church for scandall, Marmaduke Reiner (an ancient member) Mr. Sam. Craister, Thomas Arundel, &c, but besides there was at this time a sad breach in the church upon occasion of a civil dissention betwixt two brethren, both of Leeds, wch. is this Joseph Jackson lends Willm Bolton a horse worth 5li.; the horse dyes in W.B. hands, was never restored, severall church-meetings have been about it, sharp-contests, the pastor and Mr. Pickering

take J. Ja. part, the two elders take W. Bol. side, partys joyn with both, it cannot be decided. W.B. is willing to pay if the church order it so, J.J. is willing to lose it if the church so appoint it, in the meantime contentions are growing, grudges, side-takings, searchings of heart, yea the Lords Supper is suspended 3 or 4 months upon this account till the matter be agreed: this is the first or greatest difference that hath arisen in that church since it was a church which is above 30 yeares, except James Naylour and other 3 quakers that turned off from them 27 years agoe, and were turned out of their communion, however this is the first dissention raised upon civil accounts, behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth! Jam. 3. 5. I look upon it as a sad omen of future judgments.

11 Jeremiah Brooksbank living in Shelf was hired by Abr. Bairstow to serve the office of church warden for that town in this year 1678, he made some boasts and threatenings that he would present all that came to hear me at Northowrum, he being given to talk, we made nothing of it, but it seemes there came a letter without name to his hands in this form. Jeremy Brooksbank, I have had great contest in my spirit whether I should write to thee or be silent, and after some dispute with myself, I came to this resolution to let thee understand my trouble. I have known thee for many yeares, that thou hast been a friend to some in the day of their calamity to keep them from the heat of the flames, but to my trouble I hear the case is altered with thee, rather then these sufferers goe unmolested thou will take up the hirelings part and turn cannoner not to shoot thy great shot agt. Babel, but Bethel. Alas poor Jeremiah, consider what thou art doing! hast thou not heard in former times that the Scots was burdened with a service-book and great cannons, and for that end petitioned their king, and he gratifyed them, was these things a burden then and not now? shall a Scot (and I had almost put a Sot) joyn their strength togather to trouble such as would live peacably by them, doe every man his lawfull right, labour to keep a good conscience, educate their children, instruct them not only in the rudiments of religion, but labour to bring them towards perfection. Oh beware what thou doest, prove not thyself to be one of

Esaus brood, nor in confederacy with the men of those times, knowst thou not the Lord is near, his wonderous works declare it, therfore let thy moderation be known unto all men, read often the prophecy of Obadiah, and the Lord help thee to apply it rightly, for thou shouldest not have entred into the gate of my people in the day of their affliction, thou shouldest not have looked upon it, nor have stood in the crosse way to hinder them who escaped, and the reason is inserted for the day of the Lord is near, as thou hast done it shall be done to thee, thy reward shall return upon thine own head, oh peruse thou seriously, and consider what thou dost, and the Lord give thee understanding in all things. Read the 33 of Deut. 12. 13, it was sd of Benjamin, the beloved of the Lord shal dwel in safety by him. Let Joseph and Benjamin dwell safely by thee, if the same faith dwel in them, wch was in their parents, as was in Timothys case, 2 Tim. 1. 5. What need thou trouble thyself about church catechism to ask them what did thy godfathers and godmothers then for thee) for my part I know not what they promised, but I am sure it was insignificant as to my education. Passe by my boldnes and consider the day is at hand when persons shall say, when did we see thee so and so, and they shall be slighted, what will become of persecutors. And thus I bid farewell, until my next. Endorsed on the backside for Jeremiah Brooksbank, dwelling in Shelf, these with care : this letter was delivered to Jerem. on Saturday, Sept. 7. 1678, it drave him into a bitter passion, and he vowed he would be avenged on them, whoever they were, if he could know ; he went and showed it Mr Hovey (minister of Coley reputed a Scot) he counted himself concerned in that bitter taunt, he threatend desperatly, they suspected many of us for having a hand in it, carryed it to Dr. Hook, he bad them slight it as a fond act of an inconsiderate person, they said they would reply, he dissuaded and said they would wound them that least deserved it. Jeremiah Brooksbank did most vehemently suspect Samuel Midgley, who could never either write or read, upon these presumptions, 1 Samuel lives his next neighbour and there had been some difference betwixt them about trespasses, &c, 2 it is like Samuels sons hand as by comparing is found out, 3 Samuel is something odd and conceited in some notions, yet

a professor, and sometimes comes to hear me, Mr. Whitehurst, &c, 4 they have proved to Sam. that he gave a woman this letter to give to Jer. Brooksbank, wch he had utterly denyed, 5 he hath only two sons whom he cals Joseph and Benjamin, though they were never baptized, 6 Jerem. Br. had so catechized them, &c. yet for all this Sam. Midgly utterly denys he had anyhand in it, or knew where he had it, and makes sad protestations, and sth he carrys letters for many persons to and from Wakefield, this is saddest of all, and both the thing itself and the managemt much tends to the disgrace of Religion. The Lord humble, pardon. overtures were made to accommodate the difference. Sam sent Jer. 3 half crowns to please himself for the trespasse, but he refused, at last Ed. Slater and Anthony Lea got them togather at Halifax, spent several houres in agreeing them wch at last was effected. Jer. Br. took half-a-crown for trespasse and passed by all, buryed all by-past affronts, blessed be god for agreemt thus far, oh that they were both reconciled to god, however, 1 Mr Hovy threatens still and will mate, and 2 this indiscreet act renders us all ridiculous amongst our adversarys, yea suspicious (from some expressions in the letter) as tho we designed some plot, &c, the Lord humble us all for it.

12. One race begets another, that at Rastrick, Num 2, [unfortunately the first leaf is wanting,] begot one at Halifax, Sept 25, 1678 ; it was given out that many races would be run, to gather the countrey to drink their ale, for it was hoped it would be as profitable to the town as a fair, but though the countrey came in freely, yet they were cheated, Maud run not, and one Shaw kept two runners at severall houses, laid wagers on both sides, by himself and friends set people a betting, but the runners ran butty, for whoever won they knew who must bear away the plate : thus are poor fond people wofully gulld and indeed so they would be if they had what they desired : (they were notorious cheats that had an hand in that race). Lord pity the mad multitude. Another race I heard of about Ripponden.

13 Mr Abraham Langley (Mr. Rich. Langley's younger son) being married on Wednesday Sept. 25. 78, the day after he set out in his journey towards Norwich, the day after that on Lincoln heath he was set upon by thieves they robd him,

took his horse worth 10li, they cut off his silver buttons, took 15sh of money, he had 3li in a privy pocket wh. they found not ; they left him a pittiful horse not worth anything, beat him tho he is no worse, blessed be god.

14 John Lumme once of Westercroft having spent his own estate viz. 30li a year and his wives 20li a year, she dyed in great poverty and misery in Bradford in June 1678, since then (yea before) he lives upon his shifts wch is picking quarrels with persons, suing them so getting agreements of them : he egregiously abused Capt. Hodgson pretending to act for him as a Bailiff to get in debts, and though he strained on people that owed him money yet gave no account, demanded money for his paines, made it cost Capt. Hodgson 8li besides other losses ; he threatened Robt. Bairstow with suit for his dog biting him, got 10sh of him, had got severall agreemts of John Brooksbank in Shelf for trifling matters, at last John Lumme sued him for a cloth-yard or mete wand, broken and tyed in two places, not worth a halfpenny, borrowed at Joseph Crofts where J. Lum lyes, when they brought it home they refused to receive it, but he entred an action of law agt. him in the county-court, John Brooksbank would not agree it, but would try it, it hath cost him 3 journeys to York with witnesses, hath cost him 20sh. a time, (he sth it hath cost him 10li,) J.L. goes not, but laughs him to scorn, yet its not ended, but likely to be removed to the common law, oh dreadfull.

15 One Shoosmith, being constable in Shelf four yeares agoe went on sabbath day to search ale-houses, came to Sunderlands one naughty paultry ale-house, found two men that came out of Craven, called Wainmans, pretending to be suitors the one to the Young Queen of Cockel (so called) at that time there was an hue and cry following some knaves, they suspected these, took them up, kept them upon suspicion, but Wainmans sue them, Shoosmith dyes, they follow suit agt. John Woodhead (that gets coles in Shelf) make him spend 20li almost, begger him, hunt him up and down, yet its not ended, but in danger to ruin him.

16 Anne Bancroft of Norwood Green that was wont to be a great swearer, curser hath a heavy judgment befallen her, she hath her mouth filled ordinarily with blood, gets up 2

or 3 porringers-ful of blood every day, oh dreadful. Also Nathan Sharp of Wyke hath a great lump in the upper side of his mouth, so that he lyes with his mouth wide open, cannot shut it, in a terrible affrighting manner. M.R. told me she saw them both on thursday Oct. 24. 78.

17 Tim Scot coming from Halifax through this town enticed John Stevensons dog with him home into Shelf, the dog light of a mule of Isaac Sunderlands, bit him. Sunderland sues Jo. Stevenson bec. Tim Scot had little and being a single man threatened to run away. J. St. being a quiet man, went to J.H. agreed the business gave Sunderland money, gave Ed. Slater mony to satisfy the Attourney J. Crabtree, but he decides the suit goes on, Crabtree brings out a writ agt J. Stevenson again, served it Nov. 2, 78 at Halifax, and the poor man must pay charges, &c, and knows not when he hath done, though the prejudice of the mule was not 6d worth yet it hath already cost J. St. 16sh. and now is to agree with the Atturney.

18 I was at Burstall at the funeral of Mary Burkhead, and standing in the church-yard, there was two corps brought into the church, after the vicar in his surplice, I inquired who that was, they told me it was a preacher, a conformable man, the story of him is sad, his father was T. Brook of Burstall, a very rich yeoman as was in the parish (whom I have accounted an honest man) who brought up his children with learning in the best degree, bound this son (called James Brook) apprentice at Hull, gave him a good portion, he set up shop but spent all and broke, then betook himself to the imployment of preaching as his last shift, was a while our neighbour at Chappel le briars about 8 yeares agoe, had wandered, but at last fallen into a consumption (his wife being dead) and comes to his brothers in Burstal parish but they would not entertain him, nor any of his friends, though some of them of good rank, he had no money to relieve himself (tho tis sd he had two places in Lincolnshire worth 80li a year) but was likely to be cast upon the parish and (as they tell me) had put the parish to some charge, but he dyed at a poor house at Holding Clough haveing been therabouts about a moneth : he was a great drinker as its sd, a brabbling wretched creature.

19 My father Angier left his nephew my cozen Sam. Angier

in possession in both the chappel and house at Denton, but they suffered him not to preach in the chappel, no not on Sabboth after my fathers death, but brought in one Ogden who kept the chappel, and my cozen continued in the house because 40li was laid out upon it which was expected before possession was to be delivered, and he preacht in a barn in Cheshire; they got warrants to seize on 20li fine on the owners of the barn and 20li on my cozens goods, and used their artifices to starve him out of the house, and seize on his goods togather, at last they in measure accomplisht their euds, thus he writes to me Octob. 18, hora 9 nocturna, —our adversarys rage exceedingly being hitherto disappoint- of their hopes, our doores being fast, so that the Constables have thrice come and gone without doing us harm, but whilest I am writing comes a messenger from Mr. N. to signify his feares that they will break open my doores. No sooner had I closed this above written, but another messenger comes about 12 or one at night with tidings that my doores will ceartainly be broken open, which was done next morning by the Sheriff, how justly god knows, but an order of the justices at Sessions, is sd to be made for my ejection, her-upon we removed in the night my bookes and goods most of them, and dispersed them into severall houses, and the nights following removed them over the water into another county. Sir Robt. D[ukinfield] hath courteously received me and my wife, my children are here and there, Cozen Mary at John [Adamsons?], Mary Ashton at Nic. Cooks, my two servants with us, some goods we could not remove, i.e. hay and coles, valued at 12li by my adversarys worth 20li. my adversarys raged exceedingly when they heard my goods were removed, and threatened such as they did suspect had sent me word, &c, this dated, viz latter part, Octob. 26. 78, thus is that family broken that hath continued successively at Denton 46 yeares; when a main pillar is gone the fabrick falls, oh the sad effects of that good mans death! Lord pity poor for-lorn Denton.

20 One John EElams wife in Halifax being brought to bed, dyed Sept. 1678, being Quakers would not bury at the church. Dr. Hook come up to R. Scarborough church-warden to intreat him to hire 6 men to convey her corpse to the churchyard, but he refused, he urged him to goe to the

funeral at Sowrby street (the quakers burying-place) and take names of the persons there, he told him it was fitter for his sexton to doe that ; he sent two men. When the corps was buryed many of the company went to Joshua Smiths a Quakers, and there Henry Jackson spake, the informers upon Dr. Hooks order gave it into the justices, who fined the house for a conventicle 20li, went and levyed it, took 8 beasts of Joshua Smiths worth 30li, prized them at 18li. One mentioned it to Dr. H. saying he had persecuted them severely, no sth he, but I have prosecuted them, and done it out of principles of conscience, for I cannot endure that christian people should be buryed like a dog, they had as good (sth he) have hanged a stone about her neck and thrown her into Calder ; that sd the other would have been a cats death.

21 On Nov. 13. 78, the parliamt had appointed a solemne day of fasting and prayer wch was generally observed and people were wonderfully affected and quickend with this dreadfull story of the popish plot. The Bps provided books to be read, praying about it, Dr. Hook read that then preacht on Deliver us from evil a sermon he had preacht on the Lords day before, because as he sd it was suitable, added little or nothing about the occasion, all people expected a sermon on the latter part, but he had not put Mr. Lambert the lecturer upon it so he was unprovided, and the Dr on the latter part of that work read them an homily about obedience to magistrates, that was all they had tho there was a very numerous congregation.

22 Dr. Hook accused Dr. Maud that he had sd the Dr had brought innovations into the church. Dr. M. denyed, yet said he would prove it in both Sacraments, baptism and Lords supper. This begot a peevish and quarrelsom paper scuffle. Dr. M. chargeth him very home, challengeth him for latter service, Dr. H. answers its very fit he should have that, for he will have none of the former. Dr. M. sth he insults over his weaker brethren, he replys its true, he admonished Mr. E. chaplain at fixby for being drunk and squabbling with D. M. son Jon. Thus they contend with much bitternes, alas, alas, what divisions, sub-divisions. This is Octob. 1678.

23 Dr. Hook and severall others being at Shipden hall at

dinner, several others being there, amongst the rest Jo. Crowther, speaking of this horrid plot sd if he might have his mind the popish plotters should be thrown into the sea with a stone about their necks: oh sth the Dr. you would be too cruel, its fit mercy and clemency should be excercised to persons, I would have no one suffer for their conscience in matters of religion.

24 R. Sc [arborough] told me Nov. 19. 78, that he was lately in the north and at Darnton there was some dragooners going for Scotland, their Capt. drew them up in the market-place, he in the head of them drunk healths, they must all pledg him upon their knees, the Kings, D. of Yorks, more oaths, kneeling in mire a great depth, swearing thousands of oaths, every word (god damne me) till they were drunk, then they squabbled in a prodigious manner, slashing one another.

25 the train band was called up here Nov. 16, 1678, upon the account of this horrid plot. Joseph Crowthers man whom he hired and gave 21 sh, stayd at High-town, had drunk most of his mony, spoyled his armes, so the Mr. was glad on munday to stand, borrowing armes, entred his own name. James Hodgsons man taking tobacco a spark fell into his Bandaleces was grievously burnt: the whole company almost was drunk wn they should have trained, not fit to handle their armes, they still lye at Leeds, this is Nov. 24. (they were at last dismtst having no Capt., very unsettled.

26 On Tuesday Novemb. 19. 78, I heard in the morning that John Best of Landimar was sick, and upon the old dear love I had for that family, being tabled in it 3 yeares and a half at my first coming to Coley 28 yeares agoe, and to him in particular who was not born when I first came thither and whom I carryed up and down in my armes many a time though alas of late yeares he hath not owned me, but degenerated into wofull licentiousnes, drinking excessively, living like an Epicure, sending every day for 1s 6d in ale ordinarily and drinking it himself, yet however for the old love I hold to that family and him, I went to visit him the same day I heard of his distemper. I found him in his bed, askt him how he did, he told me had got a hurt in his leg, for as he came home a Saturday was sennight at night, some stones were lying, his mare stumbled on them, fell, but I askt him

how it was with his soul, whither he thought he must goe if he dyed, he told me nothing troubled him but leaving that little lad, his son Charles. I told him it was a matter of great importance to goe into another world, and askt him how he thought he must be saved, he told me there was redemption enough in Cht., I told him all had not interest in him, none but such as believe, he told me he thought he had faith enough for that, I laboured to convince him, but fear I did little good, he had a mind to talk of other matters, —but on Saturday morning Nov. 23, about an hour before day he dyed, alas he would not hear of death, had made no will, that family is rooted up, his wife being dead at Pontefract about a year agoe ; he had an incredible bulk of a carcasse few like him. His brother Micael takes on heavily. Lord sanctify this providence. He was buryed at Halifax on Tuesday Nov. 26. 78, Mr Hovy of Coley preaching his funerall sermon.

27 I was at Morley Dec. 11. 78, visiting Mr Pickering there, preacher there, Mr Dawson and I discoursing with him, he told us that he and some congregational brethren meeting at Mr. Nobles (newly gone to house) they fell into discourse, some of them said if the Presbiterians had power they would be as tyrannical and arbitrary as the Bps with several other bitter taunting words, Mr. Pickering was concerned to defend them, sweat at it but they overlaid him being too many for him, alas, alas, are we but here yet ! Lord pitty us. And I have heard some of our censorious brethren say the independent ministers were little popes among their people. Lord humble, pardon : its fit we should all be under the hatches.

28 as Mr. Dawson and I came home on Thursday Dec. 12. we just met John Cordingly and others going to a marriage dinner at Widow Watsons nigh Burstall, they urged us to goe in and eat with them (having invited Mr. Dawson before) we went in, dined with them, the couple marryed was John Newbys son (milner at Spen-milne) and John Cordinglys daughter, they told us that they were both published at Burstal church, intending to be marryed there, but on Tuesday Mr. Ashburn refused to marry them, saying Ile lose my right hand before I marry them, intending by that threatening to have his will of them for dues more than

meet for he inhanceth them extraordinarily, they went the morning after which was Wednesday to Halifax to Dr. Hook got a licence were marryed both wch cost them 21shil. Ashburn stayed much of forenoon in Burstal church to have marryed them for all that, but when somebody told him they were marryed, then sd he Ile goe to dinner: he knew they had invited many people, and thought they would give him any thing rather than be disappointed, so crosse grained is he with his parishioners. But that wch troubled Mr. Dawson exceedingly was that they had made such a publick busines of it, inviting 20 messe keeping two days of feasting, had fidlers which Mr. D. hearing of desired John Cordingly (being a professor) to hinder, but he sd the young people had sent to Wakefield for a fidler before he knew, knew not how to send backword so far, they were piping there when we came wch was the second day tho they were paid off the day before, all at the marriage give the 2ds a peece to the musick, then the pipers goe with the bridegroom and bride to invite guests for the 2d day &c. these things did so perplex the spirit of Mr. Dawson that good man that he told me his heart aked as we came home, and he slept little that night for thinking of these things 1 bec. they are his hearers, yea these Cordinglys the best of his hearers, 2 bec. on the Saturday before they had a day of prayer at John Cordinglys house on the account of this marriage, 3 this was a sad complyance with the vain corrupt customes of the world. 4 it is very unseasonable especially at this time wn the nation is in such hazzard, besides gods dishonour, opening of wickeds mouths, alas, alas, its a dreadfull omen of approaching wrath.

29 A strange tumult there was in Halifax church on Dec. 15. 1678, which was thus—One John Butterworth smith by Halifax bank running behind went to decay, being in debt he ran away into Ireland, and was absent above a year, in the meantime his wife was with child, in her extremity she laid it upon one Micael Paulard, carryed him the child, he denyed it, J. B. her husband at last comes home, sues this M. Paulard in the spirituall court gets an excommunication out wch was read. Paulard gets another agt. J. Butterworth, Mr. Gill the curate was to read it that Sabboth before mentioned, Butter: gets notice of it, and (being one of the

train-band and a stout man) gets his sword, and when prayers were read in the forenoon, and the curate began to read the excommunication, B. standing before him in the mid-alley, he bad him read it if he durst adding many threatening words, Mr. Gill desisted, not daring to read it, only calld on the officers to doe their office, Mr. Kate coming out of his seat to him, spake sharply to him, whom he threatened if he had him out of the church. The officers at last took him out but J. Butterworth and Thomas Heaward smith, his wives father bade him that durst lay hands on him. No body durst be so hardy as to touch him, some bade the constable put him in the stocks, he told them he durst not doe so bec. they had a pair of stocks belonging to the church, so that they let the man goe, but a huge publick there was, Dr. Hook being a spectator, saying nothing.

30. Upon Wednesday Dec. 18. 78, W. Row a Scotchman told me he was in Scotland within 3 weekes, and gave me an account of a sad, very sad difference amongst the Nonconformist party there, occasioned by the indulgences granted to some ministers there to preach in publick churches, opposed by several of their brethren, it came to that head that many ministers met in a Synod to debate it, yet could not fully determine the case, only sent forth several to preach the word within such and such precints (tho in the mountains) but when they came thither the other party both of ministers and people would not suffer them to preach tho but in hills except they would publickly declare agt the indulg'd men wch refusing to doe they were discarded, he gave me an instance of this, and they preach peremptorily agt one another. Mr. Welch and some of the ancienter ministers are for the indulged men, the yong men generally agt them, bec. they have the indulgence through the Bps hands, and send letters and mony to their visitations, yet doe nothing else. its sad that theres such division especially under such persecutions, but wt are we if god leave us—2 things are hopefull, 1 that a yong generation of men of very notable parts and graces and zeal are entring into the ministry, 2 that much good is done by this kind of mountain-preaching wherin there are some thousands in a place—especially he tells me of great convictions, humiliations, reformations wrought amongst the tartarins [tartan] high-

landers, and much hopes of good, blessed be god for that, but alas for the first.

31. I being all night at Mat. Moorhouses house in Kirkburton parish after I had preacht at J. Armitages Jan. 8. 7^{8}_{9}, the man of the house desiring me to come to visit his sick wife, pray, discourse with her, in the morning discoursing about Mr Brigs their vicar, told me some sad passages of his covetousnes, formality, &c, told me that one time wn he was at his house to deliver the Sacrament to his father before he dyed, an old man came out of the moores living a great distance from the parish-church, being winter, frost and snow, desired that liberty that the child might be christened at Hulmfirth chappel, but the vicar absolutly denyed him, then he askt him to come himself, but that he denyed: the old man telling him the danger of the childs life if he brought it so far, Mr Brigs laid out the necessity of babt. and danger of delay if it should dye unbaptized, well then sd the poor man wt shall we doe for he urged it was as much as the childs life came to, and he was fond of his child, having marryed a yong woman. Why sd the vicar in that case of necessity you must get the midwife or any one baptize it, and then bring it to the church afterwards. This is his way, that if himself baptize a child privately in such a case he makes them bring it to church, baptizeth it again for the satisfaction of the congregation. This M. M. sth he hath been oft with him, rid with him, but he speakes not a word of god, or religion, and in his preaching he speakes so low that few in the church understand him. These things incline this M. M. wife to the quakers bec. she sth they have some power, she is a notable understanding woman, hath learnt much scripture without book, hath good affection, but alas, they want powerfull preaching, my heart bleeds for them—alas, alas.

32 The sessions being at Wakefield Jan. 16. 17. 1678, several persons were taken and summoned to appear there for hearing at Conventicles, Alverthorp, Topliff, amongst wh. 3 of Mr Dawsons hearers were brought before them. Will Taylours son, Tho Taylour son, and one Kershaws son, they were fined 20sh a piece. Taylors son sd its but hard that we must be fined for hearing sermons, they heard him, the justices fined him 20sh more and having no money ready

they committed him to prison, and there he was to pay his fees before he was released.

33 Joshua Brook of Litteridg near Fixby, that marryed Rich. Appleyards daughter, going drunk from Halifax Jan 18. $167\frac{8}{9}$ was found dead in the way home with the one foot in the stirrup, his horse standing over him, his wife is big of the 4th child, 3 living.

34 On Jan. 1. $167\frac{8}{9}$ or the day after there was a company of persons at John Hansons in Shelf among whom was John Lumme who stayd after the rest till very late, and how it came to passe I know not, but J. Hanson got up the fire poat, hit John Lum on the head, wounded and fearfully, [sic] had killed him but that his hat kept off the blow in part, it was verily thought he would dye, he got 40sh. of Jo. Hanson for agreemt.

35 Mr John Thorp and his brother Tim were joynt-heires to the remainder of old Thom. Whitlys estate, by the death of all the Whitlys, who were most of them dispatcht by excesse, old Mr Whitly of Sinderhils having above 40,000li being a mighty usurer, much of it was spent in suit, and this Tim Thorp killing himself with drinking, Dr Maud was his phisitian, he dyed, the Dr. demands 20li and upwards for physick of his brother John, he refuseth to pay it, Dr. sues him at common-law, then removes it to the chancery, it hath been afoot 4 or 5 yeares much money is spent, the Dr. undertakes to prove that Mr Thorp promised to pay it, Mr Thorp denys, a commission was sitten at Halifax, begun on Friday Jan. 17, $7\frac{8}{9}$, were sitting on Tuesday following, how long after I know not, Capt. Lister of Manningham, Mr. Jo Sagar of Allerton, Thos. Hanson, &c. oh what excessive charges to prevent a lesse cost. Ego et volo litem pariunt, the world is full of contention.

36 Mr Rich. Langlys son Abraham marryed Josh Whitlys daughter, his only child Sept. 25. 1678, but told not her father when they were marryed, he took such a grief at it, that he resolved to drink as much as he can, and leave them little enough, wch indeed he puts in practice, being scarce ever at home and sober : its judged a wonder however his body is able to abide it.

Micael Best also since his brother Johns death is worse

than ever in drinking tho for a while he was startled. Lord pity.

37 I was at the funeral of Jer. Kershey of Wyks wife feb. 12. 7^{8}_{9} who dyed of child-bearing, and as people went to the funeral they talkt and laughed (yea those that carryed the corps) as if they had been at a bear-bait, yea relations seemed unconcerned.—the like I saw at another funerall or two at the same time, my heart was sad upon what I see in that kind at the hardnes of peoples hearts, so that naturall affection together with religion seemes quite vanished and banished out of the world, a dreadfull omen.

38 Last week, being the first week in feb. 7^{8}_{9}, 6 young men of Halifax went to an ale house at the Pulenick and entered into a solemn vow and oath among themselves that they would drink till they were drunk and he that was first dead drunk should pay for all the rest: the order they took in this disorderly match was to drink first a pennyworth of ale and another of brandy wch they did, and when 3 or 4 of them were drunk and lay on the floor the other two spread a sheet over them and fell a laughing, insulting over their drunk companions one of these horrid conquerours was Daniel Greenwoods son, a child comparatively who had drunk 24 peny pots of ale and 24 penyworth of brandy, and yet its said that it was not discernable upon him, that he had drunk anything, oh astonishing thing!

39 Dr. Hook came to Mtris Sunderland of fairweather green in her widowhood and told her he had a request to her, but she must not deny him, she askt him what it was, he told her she must promise before he acquainted her with it, she refused, saying I will know first, at last he was forced to tell her, it was this, she must needs give 100li to St Peters Colledg (i.e. Peter-house) in Cambridg, she said she would not, he had got 40li of her husband to give so many books to that Coll. (forsooth for names sake, bec. his name was Peter) and she was resolved to give no more: he told her she must needs because he had promised it to the Colledge on her behalf, and now at last its come out that he got his son to be library-keeper in that coll., bearing the fellows in hand as an inducement to that preferment that he would procure it to the colledge, only it must have been settled

upon his son as library-keeper at present, this being found out but lately, and Mtris Sunderland having maryed Mr Shuttleworth, they now are exceedingly fallen out with Dr. Hook, and report this abroad.

40 A woman at Pot-ovens near Wakefield being in house with another sent the other away, in her absence was delivered of a child, made it away, neighbours took notice of her sudden change, challenged her, she confessed, told them she had thrown it into the brook, the town was raised, sought, not finding it some threatened her she said it was in such a colepit, there they found it, not at bottom but on a wood put into cushion : she taken, committed.

41 The same week, viz feb. 4. $167\frac{8}{9}$ a servant-maid in a mans house in Oulton in Rodwel parish was suspected, and upon inquiry and strict examination confessed she had born a child, they askt her where it was, she sd in her trunk in her chamber, they found it accordingly, it was thought to be the man of the houses son that begat it, tho she will not confesse.

42 Mr Speight an Attourney at Wakefield court 2 or 3 yeares ago had a waiting woman with child, yet marryed Mark Whitakers daughter (his own cozen) who also proved with child by him but is now dead, so he hath marryed the waitin woman at York by whom he had a child before. this is Jan. $167\frac{8}{9}$, oh prodigious wickedness !

43 Mr Cotes son and I travelled togather from Rawden to my house feb. 26. $7\frac{8}{9}$ and he being of Katherin-hall in Cambridg, told me Mr Echard was his tutour who writ that scurrilous book of Reasons of the contempt of the Clergy, a man of great parts, but an Atheist or Hobbist, he had no bible in his study or chamber, it was a jest that the Leviathan was his bible, he vindicated the notion largely of matter and motion, &c, none of all the fellows there or in other colled. prayd with their scholars in their chambers. Mr Cotes sd he never heard prayer al the time he was there but common-prayers. Serious fellows and schollars were flouted and born down. At such a passe of prodigious debauchery and profane[ne]s was the university grown and is, that it would make one tremble at it.

44 the last week in february from 23 to 28 day I heard of the death of 6 good ministers all Nonconformists dead the

week before or within 10 days, viz 1. Mr Gale that famous scholler and tutour near London, 2 Mr Palmer a London minister, 3 Mr Durant a congregational man, pastour of the church at Sheffield, aged 66. 4 Mr Noble formerly parson of Sourton, a worthy divine, aged 74, 5 Mr Whitehead a godly ancient minister near Lancaster, aged 70, [6 Mr Ward a yong minister towards Selby kinsman to Mr Ward of York.] [No. 6 is erased.]

45 on monday feb. 24. $167\frac{8}{9}$ was the Election of Knights of the Shire of Lancashire and its thought there was 30000 men at Lancaster, 2 men were trodden to death, one was a papist, some say both, Lord Gerhard son was clearly and without much contradiction, chosen, tho none of the best. Mr. Bold of Bold and Mr Spencer stood in competition, the matter could not be decided, they came to preston to pol; they polled above a week viz till the thursday sennight, the country came in all that time, both sides bore the charges of their party, it cost them 2 or 3000li a piece, mad work there was, yet left at uncertaintys, the writs were out, Spencer rides to London, leaves them polling, Earl of Darby was for Spencer, the High Sherif for Bold, who on the friday went to Lanc. to proclaim Bold, Knight for the Shire, carryed him in a chair in the castle, durst not come into the town for they threatened to stone him, and then the matter to be decided by committee of Elections

46 S. K. the daughter of R. Kershaw of Wyke being in troubles of mind about 3 or 4 yeares agoe, Mr. Dawson and I spent a day in prayer for and with her, but her father dying she shakt off all such, was marryed, betook herself to sensual courses, and is reported to be of a bad carriage, bore a child wch was strangly deformed, now at last she hath borne another, March 1679, and was thought to be drunk wn she began travelling, the child was monstrous, had no legs, armes, but had 5 things like fingers at the elbows, 5 things like toes at its knees, a soft thing in the place of the head, it was alive when born, oh prodigious hand of god, little observed.

47 John Mortimer of Great Horton near Bradford was buryed there March 15. $167\frac{8}{9}$, he had marryed Tho. Ledgers daughter, but fell into a consumption and within about a year after, they lived comfortably togather, he was loving to her

till such time as his mother and relatives told him that his marrying had caused his consumption, that they put him out of conceit with his wife, he quite disowned her, (tho great with child) went to his mothers, lay sick there, deprived her and hers of the land tho he had 300li with her, gave it his brother if the child were a daughter, she dayly visited him, wept bitterly over him, put her from him, not suffering [her] to help him, wn he dyed she fell into travel, they posted her home, she was in danger to have been delivered in the way, in a sad state, but was delivered of a daughter immediately after she came in ; oh prodigious.

48 Abraham Hodgson near Halifax a quaker buryed a daughter in linnen, gave 50sh to the poor according to the act, went to Justice ffarrer, informed him of it, and claimed the other 50sh to himself being informer, but Dr. Hook after got hold of it, makes for that latter 50sh to himself as informer, prosecutes the busines with much zeal.

49 two men came to Halifax on Wednesday night, March 26, $167\frac{8}{9}$ in strange apparal, lusty men, but no one could understand them, some sd they were Jews, others Persians : they had loose garmts, no breeches, &c, they were full of money, but the town would not lodg them of a long time, at last they did lodg them : the morning after they went towards Bradford. Another man came to *Princers* (?) on the height in black cloths lined with furre April 8. 79, had an interpreter saying he was an Italian going towards Halifax, pretending to goe to Dr Hook but wt became of them I know not.

50 on Saturday night or Lords day morning about an hour before break of day April 6. 79, came 3 men to old Antony Hutchinsons house living at Dudley hill in Boulin a stockinger that kepps Halifax market, bound him and his wife in bed, took 24li of money, a lasse gave notice to neighbours, 4 men came, beset the house, but were affrighted with their pistols, so they escaped.

51 Mr. Horton of Sowrby was buryed there April 10. 1679, Dr Hook preacht his funerall sermon upon Josh. 23. 14, it was a good sermon, in the close he begun to speak something (according to his wont) upon the gentl. deceased, but was barren of matter, all he sd was this, that he was a plain man, very frugall in his temporal estate as we all ought to be, and

had given some testimonys of his care about his eternall state, and hoped he was happily arrived at heaven. Mtris Horton took it not well, told me she would rather he had said nothing at all, he was sufficiently known to be a pious, serious, usefull gentleman, but he favoured Nonconf. had built us a meeting place at Quarryhill, had maintained a weekly lecture whiles licences were in force about 2 yeares. Mr. Bently, Mr. Dawson, and Mr. Root and myselfe were constantly imployed, he gave us 10sh a piece weekly—he gave 8li a year to the minister of Sowrby chappel: if he was frugal upon himself, yet he was very noble and charitable to any good uses, but charity run not in the desired channel.

52 Henry Priestly of Baitings (whose mother married Isaac farrar of Sowrby)formerly apprentice with Mr. Entwisle to be a lawyer, I saw ranting, drinking on horse back at a doore in Ratchdal, singing jiggs that all the street rang with it, another was with him, this was April 14, 1679. I have seldom heard or seen the like of such mad-ranting, fidling, drinking as was in Ratchdal that time of my being there, blessed be god that hath preserved me from those courses, but oh wt. horrid hellish provocations!

53 Near Hulmfirth there was severall thieves broke into an house, bound the inhabitants in their bed, robd them, took about 60li, so escaped safe, this was in April 1679.

54 Mr. Robinson* (once preacher at Hulmefirth) was accused a second time for clipping and coyning, evidence not coming in clear, they fined him, kept him in prison, some of his confederates (as is thought) robd a house, killed a person in it yet got but 6d for they missed the house, lighting upon a wrong house, some of them were taken who have discovered the rest among wch one was a neighbour to this Robinson, had been to see him, they having intelligence where he lived, followed him, have taken him, carryed him to York, oh how Satan cheats his slaves! the mans name is Wood—the story differs, some say they had 10sh, &c. [for offering to make an escape they were strangely tormented every day.]

55 John Lum having abused several neighbours, and made J. Brooksbank spend 30li for a cloth yard not worth 2d, at last J.B. got an order and cast him into prison at Halifax, April

* See *Haworth Past and Present* for notice of this notorious character.

20, 79, kept him there in great misery, tis sd he is in a low dugeon, hath nothing but bread and water—some say he burnt his shirt, doublet, being so full of vermin, fearfull case, after a fortnight or more J.B. releast him, he is as fine as ever, stout.

56 on Wednesday May 14. 79 there was a jury at Sowrby about some money that was found a year agoe in the field of John Ratcliff tho one Ryly is landlord, as the plowers were plowing peeces of silver came up, the plow-holder left the plow, gathered, he that followed scrambled also, the plow-driver at last came to them, but got not his share, complained, now thers striving, Lord of the Mannour expects a share, they take but to 7li value. J.B. bought 5lis worth of it, being Roman Coyn, in their pence being 7d ob. the jury swore witnesses, could make little of it. Am. sacra famos.

57 As I was riding by New-lands in Warley with J.B. he told me that after Henry Wadsworth and Hen. Murgatroyd had long tugged about the tuition of their grandchildren stealing them from each other, suing, two of them dyed, and a yong maid only remained of 14 yeares of age wch had 200li a year. Henry Murgatroyd hath found out a prodigious shift to yoke that estate still into his family: he sets John a yonger son, a milner, to marry his own brothers only daughter, wch is incest. Henry Wadsworths wife (mother to the yong womans mother) sues to get a divorce, Atturney Wadsworth her son carrys it on.—oh dreadfull.

58 Brian Bentley of Halifax (whom they called the Halifax Poet bec. he was a great versifier) taught school in his latter days in the back-lane, was well descended, had a great estate but had spent it, being very fat fell suddenly ill on Lords day morning June 8. 79, and they askt him if he would have a cap; he swore he never wore a cap unlesse it was a barley cap, but he without any sense and remorse presently after breathed his last, and was buryed the day after being June 9. 79, oh dreadful, god is righteous, he had given himself to jests and vanity.

59 Robert Johnson (son to John Johnson of Brown Staires near Denton) an honest young man, having buryed one wife marryed Anne Carington from my father Angiers family, by whom he had a child, coming home late one night at 10 a clock, called up his father, told him he had

bought a case of knives, his father askt him what he would doe with them; he ans. defend myself from mine enemys as Mr Leaver did, &c. that night he was in very great danger to have killed his wife and child, and he proved distracted, so that 6 men had much adoe to hold him; thus he continued till munday morning next, then dyed, was buryed on Wednesday June 11. 79, a sad instance, a hopefull man for religion, a sober young man as any I knew. Thus god will convince us that all things come alike to all tis likely it was a phrenzy and feaver, Lord sanctify it to us all.

60 Mathew Wright of Manchester a tradesman got a great estate with his trade and had no wife of many yeares, only two daughters whom he left when he dyed 2000li a piece to, being yong James Rhodes of Bolton was left feofee in trust, after a short time getting up they had great suitors but the one of them dyed unmarryed, the other was thereby inriched with 4000li and so was courted by gentlemen. At last Coll. Gerhards son marryed her with consent of one of the feofees, and within one twelvemonth there was not a groat left of all her portion, all going to pay his debts, yet not paid, he is selling his own land to discharge them, alas the vanity of the world! the same day I heard this which was june 17. 79, one spoke of Sir Robert Viners infant daughter, her name was Hide, that had an hundred thousand pound to her portion, one stole her away marryed her, yet before she lay with him she was caught, hindred, a suit depends. She not like to be further marryed; better be without this muck.

61 on June 24. 79 having been to preach at Slaighwait returning back through Halifax going up town for my wife at J.B., coming down there was a great tumult, abundance of young men all on an heap, laying about them, striking one another, we had much adoe to get by them, sent Mic. for pillion he sd still they were at it, constables came to rid them, one got sore wounded, no good would be done, we left them at it at 9 a clock some say they never saw the like on a midsummer day in all their life; besides other debaucht work among lads, lasses, openly; hell seemes broken loose.

62 this morning by a letter from Cozen N.H. I have the sad

relation of Mr francklands eldest son Johns death wch was June 19. 1679 this is June 24.—he was sth he a sad spectacle terrible to nature, the strength of death and strength of nature fighting their last combate, oh wt heart-breaking twitches, deep sighs, hollow groanes,—nature pulling one way death another, he was the strongest man of his age in or about Natland, and excell'd all of us in any excercise of body—his distemper came by a strain got with leaping, for in the beginning his urine was the colour of blood, wn that stopped the morbetick humours fell downward and his legs swelled mightily, that he could not stir them, but it stopt not long there but were translated upwards to his head and stomack where they bred intollerable pain and misery, wch never ended till dissolution of soul and body. Jer. 9. 23.

63 the same letter goes on, sth that about a month before this Mr. Butler justice of peace in Lanc. his younger son who had been with Mr. frankland near, [sic] went to see his relations, he and Mr. Tilslys (a great papist) his son went a bathing them, had a mind to learn to swim, Tilsly told him he must goe into a deep place if he would learn to swim, Butler went in a deep place, got over head, Tilsly leapt in after him, swore a great oath he could bring him out, but Butler gets hold of him, so they were both drowned a dreadfull providence.

a child of Rich. Milnes of Milro in Lanc. was drowned, taken down a little brook in a flood, not found of 3 days.

64. Upon Wednesday Aug. 20. 79, there was a great race at Outwood moor near Wakefield, a great plate set up that cost 25li, multitudes of people went from all parts :—there was both an horse race and a footrace, one man won both, a Darbishire man, much vanity there was, some say a Lincolnsh. man he won both plates but lost the wagers, some say it was a cheat made by the gentry.

Another on Rastrick moor that day sennight.

Another on Outwood moore since.

Another on Walkden moore in Lanc. Sept. 4. 1679.

65 upon munday Aug. 4. 1679 was an Anniversary feast to be at Ealand called Ealand-tide wherein they make great provisions of flesh and ale, and have their friends come from all parts and eat and drink and rant in a barbarous heathenish manner.—At this time great preparations were made but

it pleased god that munday it fell abundance of rain, and was such a flood that no people could come to them, whereupon they kept their flesh till it stunk so that they were glad to cast into the river or bury it that week for it was good for nothing being over-kept. A gentleman came to Lodg at Lamberts, the great Inne, and could not abide in the house for the noysom stink, but removed to another : oh that people may learn somewhat by this.

66. The parsonage of Aughton near Ormskirk falling vacant there was great contest for it. Mr. Heskith a papist and profligate gentleman was the patron, but lost the presentation at cards to Mr. Ch. Bannister of Bank near kinsman to Mr Hulm of Broadston Mr. Bagaly, they obtain it of Mr. Banister by a pretty devise to elude the law agt Simony by selling a horse giving 100li for him, the Bp would not give institution except the right patron presented young Bagaly upon wch Mr. H. gave Mr. Heskith 20 guiney peeces. So Bagaly injoys it but preacht not, Mr. H. kept him, hired one Mr B*arak* (?) to be curate, Capt Hulm manageth all.—At last Mr Brownsorts son sues them at the assises upon Simony, casts Hulm and Bagaly having full proof the judg curbs those that pleaded for them. Brownsort hath got possession but theres no choyce he living as ill as the other. oh horrible—soules not only bought, sued for, but won and lost at cards. Lord pitty

67 Mr. Sam Maud of Sowrby had two daughters at home, both with child successively by one man ; his friends keep the first child, but now he is run away, its a sad blow to the father—Lord open his eyes, he was a bitter enemy to honest Mr Etherington, a great Arminian, pleaded strenuously agt predestination, for free will, universal redemption, falling away. Oh—for a conviction.

68 One M. Bently about Pule-nick an ignorant vain man dyed suddenly, was buryed Sept. 1679, he was once persuaded by his son to come to Northourum and hear me preach, and did come once but sd he would come no more rendring this as his reason that he could never come up so high to practice such preaching.

68 [sic] James Mitchel of Crow-nest in Lightliff that was the constable that took my goods, went backwards in the world, morgaged his house, removed to Halifax, kept an Inne at

Crosse in that town, but got a surfeit with drinking wch. cost him his life, wandred about weakly 8 weeks before he dyed wch was Lords day morning Sept. 28. 79, was buryed at Halifax Oct. 2. 79, he would gladly have lived, askt the Dr to doe his best to cure him, he told him he could not, god only must, he was very angry at any that told him he should dye, he walkt about till almost last, told the maid a little before he dyed, he could find in his heart to burn her, not being sensible ; he was an astonishing object.

69 Dr. Wastel of Wakefield on thursday night Oct. 2. 79, going up a pair of staires with a Tobacco-pipe in his mouth fell forward and struck the end of the pipe into his throat wch stuck there and could never be got out, he lived in misery, could not speak but writ his mind, dyed on munday Oct. 6. 79, he was a very usefull phisitian, but strangely heterodox in opinions, much given to disputations. A hand of god, he was too much addicted to tobacco as I have observed.

70 John Gillet of Halifax was a shop-keeper, a draper, a proud prophane man, got a good portion with his wife, and had an estate by his father settled upon him, and in the sons prosperous state the father (Wil. Gillot that marryed Dr. Mauds sister) fell to decay in estate, and dyed in Ponfret jayle, the son would not help him ; not long after the son also went to naught wch is now 10 yeares agoe, yet made a shift to live bravely by keeping a wicked hellish alehouse in But-close-lane at back of Hal. frequented by naughty persons, he had several children by other women besides those 5 he had by his wife, but now at last being for debt cast into prison at John Tompsons in Halifax he is in a miserable condition, for its a very bad prison, his ranting is at an end for wanting money from [him] in prison they fel to searching his pockets thinking he had some, and they found ratten* bread, and he confessed he intended to poyson himself, thinking therby to put an end to his days, for he knew he must wear out the rest of his days in misery in that place— this is Octob. 13. 79.

71 Mr Root of Sowrby (though a good man) failed much in marrying his daughter to John Hopkinson of Higgin-chamber

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* Bread for poisoning rats.

meerly for his estate, tho she had a miserable life with him, they were in straits while he lived when he dyed she foolishly cast herself away in her second marriage, then dyed, left 6 children, the eldest son sold the land to Micael Godly, a 2nd son went behind, run away, one daughter marryed a Butcher in Halifax, goes a begging, and now an execution is come out agt the eldest son for body and goods, and he lyes prisoner at Tompsons, al this in my observation.

72 Mr. Threapland, Schoolmaster of Hipperholm school takes all the ways imaginable to insinuate strange principles into his schollars, especially an antipathy agt the nonconformist—1 laying to their charge the forging of the story of the plot, as tho there were no reality in the hellish popish plot, 2 telling his schollars wn they make bad Latin —thats just like the presbiterians sermons, i.e. nonsense, 3 telling them that the presbiterians got the old kings favour, and then cut off his head, making his schollars to put into their themes, 4 versifying most basely drolling upon us, father, forgive him he knows not what he doth.

Mr. Clifford preacher at Lightliffe told one that he would rather dye in the popes bosom then in the presbiterian faith—the like I have heard that several clergymen have asserted, it maybe god will put them to it. Mr Droyden parson of Kighly hath 5 places, and he told one of his parish that his Lord, the Earl of Burlington offered him a 6th, but he was to pay 50li first fruits to the king, and he was not resolved whether to accept of it, lest he lose that money, for sth he the papists on one hand and the presbiterians on another are striving, and if either get it they turn us out of pluralitys. (He hath now changed Kighly for another near the place where the Earl of Burlington lives, whose chaplain he is, that he may supply it more conveniently sometimes.)

73 A gentlewoman near Newcastle having murdered her child, would have run away, but her horse would not stirre then she hired a coach, neither would the horses goe with her though whipt but overthrew the coach, after she got into a ship to fly, but could not get from the harbour—in the meantime the child was found and hue and cry made after the authour wh. woman was suspected and committed to prison.

74 A son of Esquire Ramsdens of Longly who had been a souldier, a wild ranting hectoring blade of no mean size, having been at Huthersfield Octob. 30. 79, having been drinking too liberally went home about 12 a clock to his mothers, was observed to sing and rant as he went out of towne, but in the morning was found dead in their owne fields a little beyond the bridg, much blood having issued from his body, whether slain by himself or some other its not known, it was astonishing.

75 On Tuesday Jan. 13. 1680 (being that they call the 20th day) a company of lads playing in Halifax church-yard, a badd flew into the vestry, a boy crept in searching among piles of bones, there found an infant lapt in flannel, told it, a jewry went upon it, Cronors quest, they imagined it might have lyen there near a quarter of a year, yet not consumed but could discern it was a man child so buryed it, nothing known whose it is.

76 William Jackman in Halifax went to bed full of drink, some say with Brandy on Saturday night Jan. 10. 1680, and in the night wakt distracted, raging mad, roaring, raging, swearing in a horrible manner, that several men could not hold him, once he had got his knife and made an attempt to cut his own throat, his daughter got the knife from him tho to the cutting of her fingers—he dyed on friday night following Jan. 16, was buryed on Monday Jan. 19. I was there at the funeral of Grace Bolton. Dr. Hook preacht W. Jackmans funeral sermon on Eccl. 12. 5, in latter end would needs commend him, saying he was holy and religious towards god, just and faithful to man, a good husband, a good neighbour, &c. that wt unbecoming words were spoken in his raging sicknes were not be ascribed to him, but to the disease, and tho he could not be actually prepared, yet he was habitually prepared in an honest conversation, and he questioned not but he was received into the armes of gods mercy—tho all confesse he was a sad drinker, many that he was a scoffer at goodnes, but I dare not determine persons finall state. Yet I perceive profane persons take encouragemt from such canonizations. When the pole-mony came to be gathered and persons must give in their stocks upon oath, he swore he was worth no more then 100li and now upon his death his inventory is found to be 1300li of debtles goods.

77 One Westwood a poor man seemingly living at or near Hulmfirth in a pittiful poor cottage, were thought to have mony, though no body could prove it; when a relation of his dyed, very indigent, the officers came to him desiring him to give them some mony towards their funerall, he gave a small pittance, protesting and imprecating fearfull evils to himself if he had any more than 30sh : his wife dying, he sick, having a bastard of his in the house, some neighbours being present he thrust a key into the bastards hand privily, then dyed, his chest being opened with that key, some being present, they found sevenscore pound of mony in that chest and bils and bonds for so much more as in all came to 800li. Mr. Brigs of Burton (in whose parish this was) did affirm it being a witnes, and had 40sh. to himself for his paines about it, as himself affirmed.

78 on feb. 4. 1679-80, was a stormy day of wind, hail, snow, and it was many terrible thunderclaps. A woman near Clithero spake prophane words of the roaring thunder, suddenly lightening seized on them, burnt part of the house struck her and 2 others of the family dumb, one dead since the other remain sad objects.

79 Upon Lords day March 7, $\frac{79}{80}$, Dr. Hook preaching at Halifax upon Mic. 7. 7, my god will hear me took occasion to magnify book-prayer, and vilify conceived prayer, sd there was no such thing as gift of prayer mentioned in scripture, then read those various gifts of the Spirit in 1 Cor. 12, adding heres no gift of prayer among all these, then sd he would tell them a story (whereupon all the congregation stood up as if it had been at the creed sth my authour) it was this—A woman in Huntingtonshire having an extraordinary gift of prayer, all her neighbours admired her, yea many ministers and others came far and near to hear her pray, she was grown the wonder of the country, at last went into New-England held on the same course, there was wonderfully applauded, but at last she did so behave herself that she was suspected, apprehended accused and condemned for a witch, and before her execution confessed openly that she had given herself, soul and body to the devil upon condition he would help her to the gift of prayer, and so dyed. Mr. C. that heard him and is an acquaintance of his told me this the day following, withall saying that many judged he

brought it in impertinently and so left it, made no application, gave no caution at all about it, but went on saying that the grace of prayer may be excercised in reading a prayer, &c.

80 Being at Wakefield March 10. $\frac{79}{80}$ lodging at Mr. W. Heawards, sitting in the house we heard a very astonishing noyse in the street, multitudes of people shouting—we inquired the cause, they sd it was a woman whom they were hurrying to the house of correction upon a sledg, who (they sd) had threatened to burn the town, some sd she was mad, others drunk, but they abused her body in a prodigious manner, whipping her fearfully, carryed her into a dark place like an entry, or dungeon where they lay their dung, there she lay all night, in the morning her body rose in blebs, miserably sore, oh horrid cruelty, it was sd she came from Halifax.

81. There comes to the town of Wakefield a gentleman that complained sadly of great losses by sea and other ways about 3 or 4 yeares agoe, several persons gave him mony at Northgate head. Mtris Oglethorp gave him a groat, but the subtile man was a notable wit, and carryed himself like a gentleman, won mightily upon them, called himself Plantagenet, sd his estate was 800li a year only it was in contention and such bec. he had a brother living &c., but so it was that his carriage and company was wonderfull obliging and so insinuating that Mtris Oglethorp gives him her daughter in marriage, great joy there was, he stayed with her a considerable time till she was weary of keeping them, he took her up to London, carried himself like a beast with filthy acts, diseases, but was a cheat, a beggar, she comes to her mother, brings two children, all kept by her own mother, he is marryed again, oh dreadfull.

82 On May-day being Saturday 1680, a great number of persons of the poor and baser sort, begun early in the morning, (even while it was dark) to bring in May, they divided themselves into 3 companys, every company above 60, one about the Crosse, another about Starfold, another about Clark-brig [Halifax,] men women and big youths, they had all white wast-coats or sheets about them, with huge great garlands, flowers, branches of trees,— they had 2 or 3 drums, pipers, fidlers, some of them had white banners

fiying with red crosses, thus they went up and down the town to all houses receiving money, they broke windows at T. R. because there denyed them: above 100 went in to Dr. Hooks house but [what] they got I hear not, thus they kept rambling about most of the day, a lusty fellow got upon the staires by T. C. shop, with an huge great garland, banner, the rest fell a dancing about the place where the May Poll had been, many of them were drunk and mad towards night: there was never such work in Halifax above 50 yeares past, at wch time Dr. Favour was Vicar, Mr. John Barlow lecturer, at that time rude people brought in a maypole, but they strenuously opposed them in preaching, but hell is broke loose.

83 Upon Thursday May 20. 1680 called Ascention day Mr Witter, Minister of Sowrby was to have preacht at Deanhead chappel, having been importunatly desired and having long promised them a sermon, being a zealous honest preacher, but in the week before Mr Robinson preacher of Deanhead, a peevish pestilent man agt anything thats good came to Mr Witter and prevailed with him to desist his purpose of coming that day whereby many people are disappointed, but withall desired him to change with him the sabboth following, wch Sowrby people take very ill.

84 Upon Lords day May 30. 1680, at Hawksworth there was several gentlemen drinking and ranting at a strange rate, amongst whom was one Hauksworth uncle to Sr Walter Hauksworth who lives there, and one Sherburn, who was more outragious then the rest and grievously provokt this Hauksworth, challenging him to fight, Sr. Walter fetcht his uncle a rapier, and sd if you be an Hauksworth try it with him, they both went out, Sherburn let fly at him, Hauksworth defended himself, would have ceased, but the other was so desperate raging that he turned again, run him into the brest, Sherburn was carryed in dyed presently, oh dreadful.

last Easter at that very place at Hauksworth on a Lords day 2 men were playing at ball, the one hit the other on the brest, and he fell down dead, yet they sin still.

85 Upon Monday May 31, 1680, there was to begin a great cocking at Halifax, the place was on the back side of the Crosse, at Halifax, the inne is kept by widow Mitchel where

a cocking house is built that cost 32li, many gentlemen came to it upon the munday, that day was spent in appointing judges to sit and match the cocks which they did with great aut[h]ority, on the tuesday the poorer sort of Halifax brought their cocks wch were to fight first, but Mr. Tho. Thornhil sd what had beggars to doe to fight their cocks among gentlemen upon wch Tho Cockrofts son tript up his heels, so they fell to blows, and they took sides and all fought desperatly a long while, Ab. Mitchel taking the poor mens part: at last Jo. Mitchel drew his rapier and swore he would run him through that struck another stroke, so they were quieted—then they fell to cocking, and the Halifax cocks generally beat the gentlemens, then on the wednesday, thursday, friday the gentlemens cocks fought, abundance of money was lost and won,—they drunk all night and were so high in swearing, ranting at the Crosse that they were heard far in the town. Ld. E. a scotch Lord, stood on horseback at T.C. door, swearing, ranting, calling for sack, making people drink, 100 were flocking about them, then rid desperatly along the Corn-market and light at Crosse, stayd most of the week—many sth my authour, went home with heavy heads and empty purses; in the night they drank and played at dice. J.M. stakt 15 half crowns at a cast—its thought he lost 40li. oh dreadful. the same day there was a cocking at Denham yate. Help Lord.

86 On Lords day July 12, 1680, there was a rushbearing at Howarth and their Tyde (as they call it) on wch multitudes of people meet, feast, drink, play, and commit many outrages in revellings, in rantings, riding, without any fear or restraint.—the munday wch is the day after, they call Crowmors [? Crow Moor] day, then they make races and continue in drinkings, vanitys, it may be longer: oh dreadful! The like was at Bramly the same day being Lords day. S.W. the constable told me wt meanes he used to restrain them, but could doe no good with them. Lord stop this outragious folly.

87 Mr. Henry Priestly, heir of Baitings, being Apprentice with Mr. Entwisle of Ormskirk a lawyer not to follow the law as a calling but to breed him up and render him capable of managing his estate, having 200li a year, wn he was loose of his time fell to egregious ranting, drinking, singing and

all vicious practices, hectoring it out at a strange rate in these parts, then went to Ormskirk to spend his estate, lay at a fellow prentices house who had debaucht him, drunk desperatly, fell into a feaver, dyed in a desperate case, they bade him pray to god, he sd he could not pray, but hollowd sung and houted: he was buryed at Ormskirk july 3. 1680: hath left 1000li debt, a single man, was grown wonderful fat, Isaac farrar marryed his mother, its disputed wch way his land goes.

88 Mr. Harrison Vicar of Otley being at Sir Walter Hauksworths and becoming very drunk and to goe home that night Sr Walter sent his man with a charge to bring him home but Mr. Harrison sent him back saying he would goe home by himself, immediately after he fell off his horse, broke his leg, and lay there all night, his horse going home, the day after they sought him, found him lying miserably, carryed him home, there he lyes, hath not preacht two Lords days, this is July 26. 1680.

89 A servant woman at Mr. Rawsons of Dodworth washing cloths in an out-house, being with child, went from her wash-tub into the garden in the open daylight was delivered, buryed her child, came again to her washing, some threshers observed her, told them in the house, they sent for a midwife, searcht her, she confessed, but sd the child was dead, they found it with earth stopt in its mouth, sent her to York, there she is to be tryed this assizes July 28. 1680. it was but a little before. (She was executed.)

90 Very lately a woman being with child in Burstal parish they banisht her, would not suffer her to bring forth her bastards in that parish, she fled into Batley parish there was delivered of 2 children, laid them on Mr. Tim. Brook an Attorney living in that town, by whom she had a daughter before, whom he maintains gallantly, when her month was up Battley parish people took the two children (their mother being gone away) and brought them both to Tim Brooks fold, he askt why they brought not their mother and he would receive them, but he refused to entertain them, and there the children lay a great while in the rain, crying and sprawling betwixt two logs of wood, none taking them up, and indeed none durst for fear of trouble till one incouraged a poor woman to take one up and goe a begging with it, so

at last lest they should dye and the town be fined they took them up, and the parish is to keep them.

About the same time there was a man in Burstal parish brought two bastards by two several women—besides his wife and they were both baptized on one day—oh prodigious! Tim Brook said he had done more bravely then he, and he must acknowledg him for his Elder brother.

91 Mtris Ramsden of Langly-hall near Huthersfield wanting preferment for her daughters, suitable to their deserts, and for better education goes to York, lives there, got various acquaintance, she had with her a daughter that was a widow, had marryed Sr. Will. Dolsons son of Heath-hall, had 400li a year joynture, they fall into acquaintance, with a souldier, and his sister (really his whore) intimate they were, the Lady was desired to stay all night, lay with his sister, in the morning the souldier comes into the room pretending business with his sister, she slips out of bed, he went to her, either threatened or bewitcht her to marry him, he sends her to London, now wants writings, oh dreadfull cheat.

92 Mr Crowther of Wibsey chappell dying june 3. 1680, there arose a very great contention about the choyce of a minister: one Mr Emmerson of Hedingly was chosen by the people, Will Paulard of Wibsey and Will. Paulard of Wyke going about to get hands [signatures]; Mr Rooks opposed them, John Hanson and John Jepherson using to come to my house, he threatens them furiously, would bring in one Mr. Oldroyd of Deusbury or Mr. Woolridg.

93 Wednesday Aug. 18. 1680, Mr Thorp told me he was going to Deusbury with Mr Wood, and they met with Justice Horton and his brother going to the race at Wakefield Outwood, Mr. Th. Thornhill followed asking Mr. Horton if he would have a baudy song, and so sung one bec. Mr. Thorp was there; abundance of people were at that race, they say there was bettings of 100li an end: the week after there was another race at Rastrick, both horse-race and foot race, great wickednes committed.

94 Mr. Ashburn sd Aug. '80, we are justifyed by our own righteousnes, one said those are but rags, he replyed, better have rags than no cloths.

Mr. Ashburn dyed Octob. 5. 1680, and sd nothing troubled him so much but that he should not live to root out con-

venticles, its sd 13 have been at the Bp while he was living for the getting of the place. Beevers father bade spare neither gold or silver to get it.

95 Isaac Beck living at Mount Pelon near Halifax, formerly servant to Wm Kitchinman, had set up, traded, broke, run away into Ireland, was come again, workt here and there, but was grown up to an incredible height of wickednes in all kinds, an horrible swearer, blasphemer, if any reproved him he would purposely swear far worse, there was no dealing with him, but god could tame him: working in hay-time at W. Kitchinmans, forking up hay, and his cart coming, he sd and swore that no cart should come to that barn floor, a lasse on the haymow bade him be quiet saying what have you to doe to stop them! he answ. with horrible excecration, if I were at thee I would kill thee, upon wch mounting the ladder leaning on the barn-door, it shrunk, he came down, hurt his leg, it seemed but a slight wound, but it swelled as thick as a lusty mans body, he had terrible pain of it about a quarter of a year, it could not be healed, he dyed of it, was buryed at Halifax Oct. 12. 1680, when this hurt came he was as lusty a man as was in the parish.

The same day Simeon Hosford [? Horsfall], commonly called long Sim, was buryed, he was bell-man in Halifax ever since I can remember, a huge big man, had been notorious.

The same day a woman in Halifax called had her leg cut off by a Dr., it began with cutting a corn betwixt her toes.

96. Samuel Ray (son to Tho. Ray) of Halifax having taken a vagary to London, was brought home by weeping crosse, yet would not be ruled, but went into Lanc. amongst some gentlemen where he painted, garnisht crucifixes as tis sd. Wn. he came home he visited me, I dealt plainly with him because once he was my hearer, but he rid with some gentlemen to a horse-race at Rastrick, and being in drink got a fall that crusht him, and after he had lyen in great pain, misery, dyed Nov. 13, at night, was buryed on Tuesday Nov. 16, he was very stupid, I was with him, prayd with him several times, got nothing from him.

97 Robert Chipping of Leeds a great tradesman begun to be ill of the griping of the guts, sent for Dr. Neal, phisitian, told him he thought he must goe lye a bit, the Dr. gave him

something, thought him better, went away from [home] about his frantick occasions of buying and selling cattel, yet had sd. he would not goe abroad till he had set R.Ch. on his feet, some body gave him opium, he slept away, was buryed friday Nov 19. 1680, left 3000li debt, had paid use for 1500li, owed my friend J.K. 500li, oh how quickly snatcht away, in that very day his thoughts perish.

98 Mr John Thorp of Sinderhills coming from Halifax on Saturday night Nov. 20. 1680, shot off a pistoll towards my study window, wch I did not know of till I heard that he bragged of it, saying I put out my candle, run out, wch was not true, for I studyed about an hour after, heard a great laughter when it went off, it seemes some body was with him and they made sport of it. Lord pardon their folly.

99 Mr Piggot vicar of Ratchdal being in an alehouse drinking with Mr. Butterworth, Mr Entwisle justices, &c. one at the door wanted to speak with him, he would not goe, but sd if any want to speak with me let them come hither, there came a man and a woman with a child, the woman sd Sr you have committed adultery with me and I have born this child, and I come to you to know how it must be kept; this was Nov. 1680;—he hectord and ranted and charged it on the fanaticks of the town, saying they hired her thus to abuse him: his wife came to Mr Hallows, Robt. Milne to inquire, they utterly denyed that they knew anything of it.

100 a daughter of one John Kitchins of Lightliff. having lived at Mr foxcrofts at Woodhouse [Halifax,] came home with child, wch she bore Dec. 1680 wch the women present affirm that it had two heads, but it dyed.

101 Abraham Beverly, Clark of Sowrby would needs bid a rush-bearing there contrary to Mr. Witters mind, who declared publicly agt it, this last summer, he did publish it, but ever since hath decayed in body and estate, come to Isabels at Quarryhil lay miserably there, sent for Mr. Witter, seemed to be troubled, dyed was buryed at Sowrby thursday Jan 6. 80.

102 Mr a maltman living in Pontefract coming to his customers at Stump-crosse, Spigs, Swifts, &c., all alehouses, got customers to drink with him, whereof Daniel Drake and two of Mr. [S.] Listers sons of Shipden-hall at those places, they drank at a sad rate, D. Drake came home not wel on

thursday Jan. 6. 168^0_1 having been out from the Saturday before, and spent a good part of his quartarage that Robt. Bairstow left him (wch was 52sh a year) still he grew worse, the apothecary said he was gone, it was a surfeit of drinking, he sd his liver was blistered and raw with strong stuff. I went 3 times to see him but found him very stupid, only desiring he might live but one half year to discover what a new man he would be, but god thought not fit to trust him, he bled excessively at the mouth, was a sad object, lay gasping, I prayed with him Jan. 18, and within 2 or 3 houres he dyed, was buryed at Halifax thursday Jan. 20, the other two yong men were distempered, escaped narrowly. Lord awake them and others.

103 On Wednesday Jan. 18. 168^0_1 the Earl of Eglington (a Scotch Lord that marryed Lady Wentworth of Brittain Hall) and 3 justices of peace and some other company were drinking and ranting at Mr. Matlocks house (innkeeper and postmaster of Doncaster), they drunk and gamed at cards, most part of the night, and about 3 a clock that wild Lord having lost, and they reckoning their losings, Matlock sd. my Lord I hope you remember 3li I won of you at such a cock-fight, the Lord denyed, he affirmed, it came to provoking language, at last Earl Eglington drew his rapier, made a passe at Matlock, run him thro the thigh, not content with that he runs him quite through the belly, none of the company offering to hinder only Justice Blithman at last stept to him, pluckt his sword from him, but the man dyed by ten a clock that day, and the Ld is sent prisoner to York, oh prodigious villanys! he gave 100li to have yrons kept off.

103. [sic] John Wildman of Ponfret (that marryed W. Wadsworth daughter to his first wife,) an eminent professor, knowing man, a main upholder of the meeting there, having now a wife and 4 children, suspected to have got his servant maid with child, she went away, bore it in Craven,—its sadly aggravated, something he confessed, now seemes to cover it, hath forsaken the meeting upon it, goes to church tho formerly arguing agt. it, a man of notable parts, great reading, oh the blows this gives to religion!

104 this day being feb. 8. 168^0_1, my son John being at a funeral

at Halifax and sitting with Dr. Hook, Mr Cate, Mr J. Hall, &c., they discoursed freely in censuring Dr. Oates. Dr. Hook called him an impudent, impertinent man, vindicating Ld. Stafford in some things and Sr John Robinson governour of the tower &c. Presently after the Parlt. was dissolved Dr. H. sent word by M. J. that Mr. Kate must needs come down to him for he had received a letter from his Lord ArchBp. and had a great deal of good news, &c.

105 the new vicar of Burstal (Mr Oldroyd] and Mr Bat, being in Mr Thornhills house when the news came of Parlts. dissolution, sent mony to ring the bels for joy : at Rippon they rung bels, made bonefires, drunk ale, &c., upon the same occasion.

106 Will Taylor and his son Jeremiah coming from Leeds tuesday night feb. 15. 8^0_1 some rude drunken fellows followed them, laying at them striking shamefully, many words before they spoke a word, went to Smithy by Holbeck green, got a great staff, overtooke them, struck W. Taylor, an old man, off his horse into the ditch, his horse setting his feet on his brest, his son and the other helpt him up, they laying on them all the while, having got him up they hit him on the head, wounded him grievously, struck out his eye, he lyes at Holbeck in hazzard.

107 At the drinking at the funeral of Widow Dean of Crossehill at Halifax Dec. 13. 1680, Dr. Hook and Mr Lambert his lecturer discoursing about monsters, Mr Lambert sd god had a special hand therin for punishing of some sin. Dr. started up and cryed out, O blasphemy ! wch begot further controversy, and they fell from lesse to more, so that Dr. Hook charged Mr. L. that he should threaten to shed out his bowels, quoting J. Wilson, clark, who told Dr. he sd. not so, but sd how finely he could beat him, so they fell into most grievous reproachful words at table before all the company in a very shameful manner, the like I have seldom heard so that many were ashamed of it, yet some loose persons put on J. W. to say much agt Mr. L. saying to him again :—oh dreadfull, divisions, subdivisions.

108 About the 15 of febr. 168^0_1 there was a woman laid dead in Rich. Mitchels fold, wch because of Mr. Issots living and preaching there begot a grievous scandall all the country over ; she was a yong woman thought to be with child,

stifled or hanged and as was thought murdered and carryed thither for malice agt them. The child was laid (as was sd) on Rich. Mitchels servant, he turned him away, but fled not, but is still servant therabouts. R. Mitchel, Jo. Hey and Mr. Issot were before justices, a sad rebuke it is god knowes, and it humbles them, and I hope will doe them good, tho a sad rebuke under their circumstances.

109 I have seldom heard of so many young women with child by fornication as lately, and some of them to cover the shame doe marry, great wickednes, prophanation of the Sabboth; in Halifax on Easter-day multitudes were playing at Stool-ball &c in the streets. Oh wt will be the end of these things, no restraint, no magistrate to put them to shame, a dreadfull omen—this is Apr. 15. 81.

110 This day April 22 1681, W. R. a Scotchman told me with teares a sad story of his own country, notwithstanding their great oppression, persecution and heavy affliction, that the dissention about the indulged men is grown to such an height that unlesse those pious gracious ministers that come to preach amongst them will (before they preach) ingage to preach agt the indulged men they shall not preach at all, whereby it comes to passe that barbarousnes overspreads the face of the country, for their other ministers that preach down indulgence are punisht, and the curates or ministers in places they will not hear, and their principal hearers will not invite nor indeed suffer others to preach but on this condition, tho otherwise sober gracious, zealous ministers bec. they are a little more charitable towards their brethren that have accepted the Kings indulgence to preach in publick. O tempora mores, this is a sad story, at an unseasonable time when their ministers and people being taken fill their prisons.

111 On easter day Apr. 3. 81, as my hearers went from us through Halifax there was hundreds of people at Clark brig, in the church-yard, on the green, and all along the town of young people and others playing at Stool-ball, and other recreations, without any controll, several told me with some trouble on their spirits to behold the sabboth so broken.

112 On Lords day May 8. 81 as people went home from us they saw on the Swaits moor 4 or 500 people, the busines was this, Mr Jo. Mitchel of Scout hath (with the help of his

friends) bought 3 plates, and set up stoops for an horse race in this township of Northourum (its first race yet run in it since I came) above the Pule-nick, and they all come to breath horses there morning and evening, and many Halifax people and idle persons of Booth-town, Ovenden, Holdworth, bec. they were best at leisure that Lords day went to look at them, they were there at 3 a clock and continued in great companys till 8 a clock.

Wednesday there was multitudes of people gathered togather, at a horse-race on Swates-moor, had drums, many horses run but that Mr. Oddy that came out of Nottinghamshire had a horse that won the plate, they run the round 9 times, a mile and a half, wch is 13 miles, 2 or 3 were run over, yet none killed. tis sd that somebody cut Mr. Oddys horse in the fetlock that morning yet it ran. J. Scalbert lost 10li in an after-race, o vanity.

113 On munday May 9, 1681, there came one Gervas Mitchel to me, living in Kirkburton, whose daughter was wofully frantick, he desired me to come and pray with her, and bring a good minister with me. I promised so to doe, so upon wednesday May 18. 1681, I took Mr. Dawson with me, many people flockt to us, the man brought his daughter into one Mr Hudsons, where we both went to prayer and gave the people some exhortation concerning their soules, it pleased god that the maid was very quiet tho rude before, but Mr Joseph Brigs, vicar of Burton after sermon on the Lords day following May 22, exprest himself thus to his congregation in his speech after sermon—I understand that two Nonconformists came to this town on wednesday last in my absence from home, and having gathered a great assembly prayd and acted contrary to law, as for you I wonder you should flock after them, I am grieved that all these sermons I have preacht agt. such seditious meetings have had no more effect upon you, what can you hear more then with us! but where god hath his church the devil hath his chappel. I believe if one discoursed with them they would not pretend to casting out devils, if they can work miracles why doe you not bring your sick, lame and blind to them to be cured, &c, after this manner he discoursed with much wrath a considerable time. Lord pitty the poor man, pardon him, he rendred

himself ridiculous to all intelligent persons. Sr John Kay sd to Mr Hudson, I hear thou hast a conventicle in thy house, No Sr. sd he, but a woman being melancholy, her father got ministers to pray for her, and because their house was not convenient, I let them come into mine, he replyed thou didst well, thats the best means, fasting and prayer is good, I should have taken that course myself. The father of the young woman told me he had desired Mr. Brigs to come and pray with his daughter, but he refused, bad them get her merry company, set her to work, &c., alas miserable comforters.

114 On Munday May 9, 1681, Madam Harris of Lupsit (Sr John Savils daughter) came to Wakefield, went to School, got boys leave to play, took Mr. Baskervil the Schoolmaster to the tavern, where they drunk excessively, but tho he was a great drinker, yet she drunk him down, and being inflamed with wine, he went and drank ale at Mr. Shelmerdins, then to quench him small drink at his house, tuesday was invited to dinner at Richard Elliss where some wild company and he drunk to excesse again, he went home, never came out again, but dyed on Lords day, was buryed on monday May 16, 1681, extraordinary fat that 14 men had much adoe to carry him to church, they bound the corps and coffin for fear of bursting—oh dreadful storys.

115 One Joseph Wood of Southourum a very drinking man and when he was in drink used to abuse people, on Tuesday May 24, 1681, having been at Halifax, fell to drinking at Southourum, drunk that night till 12 a clock, had cholick dyed next day at 12 or one a clock in a sad manner.

116 Old Duckworth aged 86 having been a prophane swearer, blasphemer, grown poor, begging, dyed miserably May 8, 1681, his toes rotting off, he slighting it, sd they never did him good, he stank that nobody could abide to come into the house, in a dreadful state.

117 On Wednesday June 1, 1681 was another race in Swaits Moor in Northourum township. Mr Mitchel had a horse run, and one Nolson, multitudes of people assembled together, much ale drunk, the wager was 10li a side, besides other races, tis sd 5 of horse and foot, oh sad, dreadful.

118 on Saturday Mr M. our neighbour that occasions our horse-races, coming from Skipton fair, May 21, 81, without any

provocation fel foul on one Clough, and afterwards on one Stead abusing them, slashing the latter shamefully with his sword, he seeing him desperate outrid him.

119 on Wednesday June 8, 81, as I came from Idle some people that had been at a marriage overtook me. John Rhodes an honest young man of little Horton had marryed a woman by Woodkirk, Mr Cowper marryed them in the church, but playd upon them grievously, for tho they stuck long at it he made them kneel according to the rubrick, and find a ring, &c, wch went sore with the young people, but he told them if they could not obey they must goe as they came.

120 May 29, 1681, Mr Stanford of Kendal was to publish an absolution of Mr Frankland wch was procured by Mtris Jackson of Mr Cradock, and instead of reading that he said thus,—I am to give you notice that Mr Rich. Frankland the ringleader of the Sectarys hath voluntarily submitted himself to the orders of the church, and is reconciled to it, what his design is therin I cannot divine except it be to sue for his schollars pay to him, but methinks I see him come with bended knees, tears in his eyes, confession in his mouth that he hath wronged the church of England, begging pardon, promising reformation, and to be an obedient son of the church, and resolving to come to the beginning of the service, and wn he comes, good people, let him come freely and doe not hinder him, but youl say how know you all this! I ans. I know no more of it then you doe,—but the report spread abroad of Mr. Fr. conformity, and people sd he had surely got a good living.

121 A gentleman in Darbishire that had outrun his estate by prodigality, and was cast in the ffleet [prison,] yet by his cunning friends and companions got a gentlewoman that was an heiresse to 1000li per annum, marryd, wch he makes merry with and sent to an house belonging to him 4 or 5 quarter of malt to be brewed into strong liquor, himself intending to come help to drink it, but being prevented sent to have his companions meet there and drink it, 6 or 7 of them came, fell aboard, resolving madly to drink it all before they left it, they prepared a bed to tumble down on upon the floor, there they drunk and tumbled like swine, slept, to it again in their shirts, having drunk it went home, but laid the foundation of their death, for they are all dead

since, being gentlemen of good rank. Mr Boden of Barnby-hall near Cawthurn was one, that had marryed Mr. Boswel of Gunthwaits sister, who dyed, was buryed April 15, 1681, about half a year after this mad drinking, Mr Milward a gentleman in Darbishire dyed a little before, Mr Rawlinson since upon the same account, &c.

122 this is not warning to others for now lately July 1681, Mr Armitage of Netherton (tho himself be prisoner in York castle for debt) removing a mill to the great river Calder near Horbury, at the finishing of it, sent malt to be brewed and drunk by workmen and friends, at first they drunk quaffing cups, after they grew merry and fild a peck with ale, and agreed to drink it off a peece, and some of them are dead since that—oh dreadful folly.

123 On Thursday July 7, 1681, as I came from Sowrby, leading my horse down Halifax, calling at Bookbinders shop, R. Scarborough standing by me, there rode an ancient gentleman and his man down town, he taking leave I inquired who he was, he told me his name was Dr Hanson who lives near Maulton beyond York, and had been at Halifax several days and had no other busines but for a frolick to send for merry company, talk, drink, have musick, mirth, he lay at Swan, was going away at 6 a clock that night, his companions lookt after him. R. S. sd its a strange thing that such an old man should be such a ranter. oh dreadfull, wt leisure have some for vanity.

124 On July 15, 1681, Mr Oldroyd vicar of Burstal, having been at Wakefield, his father having paid 5li to an Attourney thinking it too much the Att. called for many bottles of wine, they drank freely, but as he came home he fell many times, hurt him grievously, fell into a feaver, had many Doctors, all judged he would dye, and he dyed Aug. 9, 1681, was buryed on july [sic] 12. Dr Stapleton preaching his funeral sermon, commended him excessively, especially for converting so many dissenters to the church, sd he would not dye in their case for all the world, many wept sore. this is the 4th vicar dead at Burstal since Mr Dawson had his licence in that parish. Mr Hepworth (Sr J Kays chaplain) vicar Aug. 28.

125 Mr Lowther parson of Swilington having been at a horse race at Bramham Moore June 24, 1681, returning home by

Barwick fell off his horse in the evening, lay speechles as if dead, his man rode to Robt. Hardcastles, got help, they got him thither, he was senseles, swore, curst, damned all about him, called the Doctors they sent for, and apothecarys devils, was very ill, the day after Lady Bland came, got Sr Will. Lowthers (his fathers) coach, got him home; but he was never out of doores since,—he had been drinking wine with Sr Tho. Armitage.—alas.

126 Mr Lambert of Caulton, Mr Heber, Col. Carre, Sr Walter Hawksworth, &c, drunk at Skipton 10sh a piece in wine, were laid aside to sleep, amongst whom was Mr Sutton, preacher at Skipton and Carleton, he grew very abusive, he playd upon Col. Carre who left them, then upon Mr. Heber, told him his father had been a traytour, but his own father (Mr Sutton formerly minister of Skipton) was a loyal person, a good man, gone to heaven, and there prayed for him every day, saying god will hear his prayers, &c, he again abused Mr Heber who gave him a blow on the head, they squabbled, they turned Sutton out of door as not fit for their company.—he is a strange man, he will drink till 3 or 4 a clock on Sabboth day morning, yet preach and rant it agt. drunkennes notably in the pulpit, he sth himself that he hath the knack of preaching, oh dreadfull, other sad storys I hear of a debauched clergy, yet hector it strangely agt Presbiterians.

127 on thursday Sept. 1. 1681, there was a strange unheard of race on Karsy Moor near Manchester in Lancash. it was run by 3 or 4 women stark naked only their privitys covered with a rag, amongst many thousands of people, oh unparaleld impudence! Capt Howorth (Dr Howorths son) made it, proposing a holland shift to the winners, some of the winners came to his mother (a gracious woman) to inquire for him that morning, to the breaking of her heart. —he hath been to Flanders a courtier: thousand went out of Manchester and Ashton &c, to this horrid shameless spectacle. Lord whither will men run, my sons were at Manchester and saw many loads of bottles of ale carryed out to the race. Lord awake, its sd there were 40 gownmen there and thousands of people.

128 on tuesday Sept 20, 1681, my wife and I came to Manchester, and the night before a Cook newly come to town

undertook to ro[a]st a whole oxe at once weh cost him 7li, persons were to give 2d a pieee for seeing it and 6d for a cutting, thousands went to see it, many were drunk at the ale-house, huge rude work there was, two men turned the spit day and night, he hoped for gain by it, but its said he got not up his mony he laid out, it was a loathsom sight, it stank so that few would eat of it, on the thursday morning they gave it poor people, and cast it to dogs.

129 This Micalmas sizes at Chester there was five put away, 2 men and 3 women for making away base-begotten children. At Ratchdal most of the justices work at the Sessions eoncerned unclean[n]es, and many others I hear of in that kind, the like was never known of the breakings forth of filthines and all other abominations. Lord be merciful to us.

130 I being at Wallinwells Oct. 24. 1681, they were discoursing about a new name lately eome into fashion for Ranters calling themselves by the name of Torys. Ms. H. of Chesterfield told me a gentleman was at their house and had a red Ribband in his hat, she askt him what it meant, he said it signifyed that he was a Tory, whats that sd she, he ans. an Irish Rebel,—oh dreadful that any in England dare espouse that interest. I hear further since that this is the distinetion they make instead of Cavalier and Roundhead, now they are called Torys and Wiggs, the former wearing a red Ribband, the other a violet—thus men begin to commence war, the former is an Irish title for outlawd persons, the other a Scotch title for fanaticks or dissenters, and the Torys will Hector down and abuse those they have named Wigs in London and elsewhere frequently. Theres a book called the character of a Tory wherin it runs, A Tory, a Whory, a Roary, a Scory, a Sory : vid.

140 [sic, a mis-numbering only,] Madam Harris (as they called her) Sir John Savils daughter of Lupsit, after the elder brothers death deprived her younger brothers of that estate, lived a most debaucht, vieious and voluptuous life, drunk all the men she met with, and drank to death several men, openly profcssed to her husband she would take her liberty to lye with whom she pleased and he might take the like, he living at London, she at Lupsit. She had a child in his absence, &c., at last had so wasted her body with exeesse that she found she was gone, went to Wakefield and dyed

there Octob. 28, was buryed Oct. 29, 1681, for they could not keep her, gave one Robinson her minion a key of her trunk, he took a golden watch, &c, the circumstances of her life and death were strange. She sent for Mr Lee vicar of Wakefield to pray with her, its sd he askt her wt kind of prayer she would have, church-prayers or extemporary, she Ans. all kinds of prayer. Oh for warning.

141. It troubles me much and I am afraid its a presage of evil that there is such desperate and implacable contentions among many. Mr. Tho Wakefield and Sam. Pollard came to my house on Munday Dec. 12, 1681, and I must make them friends, but such bitter spight appeared, grievous words uttered, that I am afraid they parted more inraged and will sue, about a trifle. (they are reconciled, blessed be god, thought of —— words.

Sam Wardman and Micael Best, father and son are most bitter in law-suits. Sam Wade and his father in law, George Boyl. Jer. Brooksbank and his brother James &c. (J.B. and his brother Jer. are reconciled, blessed be god for it.)

142 Theres great poverty by decay of trade, multitudes come a begging, theres also much stealing, last week R. Ramsden had two pieces stollen off the tenters at Stony royd. James Tetley had a piece cut and 14 yards taken. Josh. Crowther a saddle this week, on tuesday night last Dec. 13. 1681, thieves came to my house pickt the lock of the oven-house, stole 3 hens, pluckt up one boyler for brewing in, took it quite away, this last night Dec. 15. 81, they came to Jonas Northends, broke a glasse window took a stroke of shilling standing on the table, that night a fat goose was stollen at Joseph Crowthers, and something at Mary Crowthers at Northfield yate, the theef was taken with our pan and many other things. One Reiner, his daughter and many more sent to the house of correction, Jan. 2. 168½.

143 one Mr. Faburn vicar of Rodwel was found dead in his bed Saturday morning Dec. 24. 1681, he had been a dreadful drunkard, had broken his leg, fought with Mr. Nettleton, was crusht, wanted conveniences, shut up lockt in his house, dyed in debt.—there was great riding for it, [the living,] Mr. N. rode with Mr. Kent of Denby to Sr Jo Kay, to Welbeck the Duke of Newcastles whose Dutchesse hath the

presentation in part, to Pontefract, &c., came home on Lords day forenoon to Heaton, &c., many others made for it.

144 Mr. Jo. Mitchel of Scout the last week in Christmas (as they call it) to season his new house, kept open house, entertained all comers, had fearfull ranting work, drinking healths freely, had 43 dishes at once. I have scarce heard the like in our parts, his wife was the musitian. Lord put a stop.

145 one J in Lautherdale in Craven (who was a confederate with Clippers and Coyners) being apprehended for debt and carryed to Lancaster gaol, sent to his companions to help him with 30li to pay his debts, they refusing he resolved to be avenged of them, acquainted some persons at Lanc. that if some persons would goe to a place called Stock, 3 miles above Skipton such a day, they should find them at work, where they might apprehend them togather, and they should find their coyning yrons in the bellows, &c., intelligence being given to the justices in those parts, and no noyse being made of it, they went at the day appointed, came to the place which was a retired house in the country, they opened the doors, found them close at work in their drawers and shirts, apprehended 13 wch was their number, with 30 or 40li of clipt silver, their vices, coyning yrons and implements, as was described, sent them with their instruments to York where they are to be tryed this assizes wch begins munday March 13, 168½.

146 April 25, 1682 began the sessions at Pontefract, where the justices demanded an account of the order and warrant granted the sessions before, for disturbing of Conventicles, they excercised great rigour and severity for not giving in the names of Conventiclers, imprisoned 7 constables, fined severall, clapt up Mr. Trigot a Non-conformist minister in York castle for refusing to take an oath (it was the corporation oath,) tendred him, &c., the chief that acted so briskly were Sr John Kay, Mr Pupils (who gave the charge), Mr. Blithman, but none so furious as Sir Jonathan Jennings of Rippon, that man that in a duel killed Mr Aislsby the Register [sic] of the Spiritual Court, who is now knighted, and made justice for his pains, a debaucht person, but a Yorkist. Lord pitty our forlorn case. Mr. Pupils took off his hat and complemented the informer very deep, giving

them hearty thanks for the good service they had done his Mty in informing, strange things acted among them.

147 The same week the visitations were kept at Wakefield, and the Archbishop himself by cannons or customs should have been present and have preacht but his grace not coming Dr. Hook of Halifax was appointed to preach the visitation sermon on Friday April 28, 1682, wherin he acted his part manfully, and addressed himself to speak—1 to Spiritual court men, 2 to the officers, these he passed lightly over, 3 to Separatists (though I think none were there to hear him), he laid on them, especially on the Nonconformist ministers saying these words, I would not be in their condition holding those principles which they maintain, or dye therein for a thousand worlds, also he sd he wondred that they could shew their faces abroad without blushing, or covering their heads for very shame,—again he sd thus, if I were a separatist, and acted agt the laws as they doe, I should think myself worthy of death, and if magistrates should adjudg me to the most cruel torturing death that ever any suffered I should judg that I had nothing but my just deserts.

148 On Saturday May 13, 1682, Mr Hool being come over to preach at Coley, some persons [went] with him to Dr Hook to desire him to give his consent that Mr Hool might be the preacher at Coley, Rich. Hoyl, Joseph Crowther, Ab. Langley, Joseph Wright went, but the Dr utterly refused to suffer Mr Hool to come, saying I would rather that Mr Heywood preacht then Mr Hool if he would conform, J. C. answered so would we, they argued cases a long time but by no means would he consent, however he gave him liberty to preach May 14, 1682, and withal J. C. gave Mr Lambert notice to come no more, but sd they would pay him off for time past, so theres strange fermentations.

149 Mr. G. having been in Chester told a sad story of some Lords and gentlemen that had been at a horse-race in Cheshire, and came into a tavern fell to drinking, sticking all their swords on the top of the room and made their servants doe the like, then fell down on their knees and drunk an health to the prosperity of the D of York, and the damnation of the D of Monmouth, the inkeeper sd he would drink to the conversion of D of M., they Hectord him, contended, oh horrible.

150 Mr Rither a preacher that came from about Peterborough for his health-sake to Halifax, and was willing to continue lecturer there half-a-year, preacht well, lived wel, people liked him exceedingly. Dr Hook was not pleased with him, tho he had no objection to make, but upon his receiving the peoples contribution for half a year Dr Hook sent Mr Rither a letter wherin he signifyed that the heads of the viccaridg were agt his staying, wherupon Mr Rither after sermon at Halifax june 11, 1682, desired the chief of the inhabitants to stay and give him a meeting, they did so, the Dr slipt away out of church, Mr Rither asked them if they were willing for his continuance, they all consented, he told them he was informed otherwise and produced the Drs letter, they were astonisht, could scarce beleeve it, he desired them to goe into the viccaridg, they did, but the Dr skul[k]t and would not be spoken to.—its taken very ill. the next Sabboth june 18, Mr Rither designed to take his leave in the afternoon but the doctor would not suffer him, but preacht himself, pretending to supply a vacancy, after he had done all he pulld out a paper, put on his spectacles, read a paper wherin he vehemently accused Mr Rither as a non-resident, that he neglected his own sheep, came thither without call, wheras himself had another place viz Thornton for which he had the kings broad seal, might have kept it, but his conscience would not permit, so he resigned it, &c., having done that he went out, Mr Rither stood up and sd good loving Dr let me speak a few words to you, the Dr would not but bade him for shame hold his peace, but tho the Dr stayd not yet Mr Rither stood up in the chancel, spake to the people vindicated himself, telling how many quarts of blood he bled at his place in Northamptonshire, how dangerously ill he was, and his phisitians advised him to change the air for his health, and indeed to spare his life, he had the advice of divines, the Bp. of the diocesse, consent of his people, had provided for them, had his health wel since his coming, intended but to stay another quarter, he pittyed this numerous congregation at Halifax, advised them to submit to the Dr, who sth he preacheth wel, lives wel (for ought I know) notwithstanding he hath his infirmitys, &c., indeed the Dr had violently attaqued the N. Conf. that day, but his spleen was agt Mr Rither, who was to preach at Sowrby-

bridg for his pupil Mr Beron. Mr Rither went quite away on tuesday following being accompanyed with many of Halifax,—gone into Northamptonshire.

151 this day one told me a sad passage of Mr Clegge preacher at chappel le brears that he is a constant frequenter of the ale house close by him, that a moneth agoe viz. May 28, 82, having done his service at chappel in the forenoon, at noon some company fell a drinking, and he was sadly drunk yet would needs [go] into the chappel, and was helpt with much adoe into the pulpit, but knew not wt he sd, spake blasphemy, saying we have a mercilesse god, and cht redeemed us from mercy to misery, &c, another time being drunk he fell in snow and had been lost but for help, but got such a distemper that he scarce is yet recovered, this is june 25. 1682, the vicar sth not a word agt this man, and its in vain to inform agt him. Lord help. J. S. he rants it desperately agt several in that town of Southourum that come hither, threatens the church-wardens if they doe not prosecute them.

152 Mr Piggot vicar of Ratchdal is implacably fallen out with Mr Holt of Castleton about trifles and others, particularly Mr. Butterworth of Belfield, justice of peace, challenging a right to a seat in the church. Mr Piggot opposed him, would not suffer him to have it, lockt the church-doores, Mr Butterworth caused a man to goe in at the window to nayle green Beas on the seat July 6, 1682, on the Sabbath-day went into it, when the vicar came he went straight to that seat, would have entred, Mr Butterworth kept him out, a great Bussle was betwixt them before the congregation, Mr Butterworth told the vicar the pulpit was open, bad him goe to his work, the vicar would not, but sd he was disturbed in divine service, went out of the church, bade people follow him, fell to his reading common-prayer in the churchyard, this was July 9, 82, many people flockt about him, Mr Butterworth bade the officers tell the vicar and people if they did not scatter, he would endite every man of them, the people went away.

153 At the same time Mr Obadiah Lee vicar of Wakefield and the Lecturer Dr. Stapleton had a most grievous falling out openly in the church about a Basse to kneel on, and some other small occasions, and have preacht agt each other with most bitter invectives. Dr Stapleton hath made a vow that

he will never hear Mr Lee again, and doth not but comes into the church when he is to preach himself in the afternoons. But theres a far greater difference betwixt Mr Lee and Mr Harris about a seat in the church betwixt chancel and body of the church where formerly the pulpit stood and a desk by it for the vicar, the whole chancel belongs to Harris (owner of Lupsit) as impropriator, Mr Witton lives in the parsonage, sits in that seat, Mr Lee hath many times come and confronted Mr Witton, Lawyer, they have oft justled before the congregation, and made it favoured ridiculous work, to abundance of disturbance, means have been used to compromise the busines, Mr Lee pleads conscience that he dare not so far wrong the church, tho Mr. Harris gives him liberty to sit there as long as he lives upon leave, but he will not nor is Mr Witton willing, he egregiously abuseth Mr. Witton because he is the son of a Nonconformist minister forgetting that himself was Scribe to the Assembly and a N. C. also a while at first, forgetting Mr Harris kindness in getting him the place, a suit there must be about the seat, a field, &c., full of desperate rage they are, and Mr Harris makes (as some judg) fair proposals to prevent suit, but it will not be acceptable.

154 Mr Drake (son to Dr Drake) vicar of Pontefract having according to custom designes to goe his perambulation on the usual day this year 1682, resolved to goe through a park that belongs to the Duke of Newcastle, the steward stopt him at the gate, a scuffle they had, but the priest and his gang being too strong got into the park, sate them down on a fair hill in it intending to fall to their chear but Mr Stilleco the steward by himself or his man came and broke them, knockt out the bottom of the barrel, let all the ale run out, dasht the pipes agt the barrel, scattered tobacco, broke the cakes, indited them all, the Duke takes his part, the poor vicar is in a sad pickle, sends a man to the Duke to make their peace with him, the man got a surfeit there or in his journey, dyes shortly, the vicar is charged as accessory and they know not whether the Duke will put it up. More of vicars contentions I have heard of but these 4 are fresh, now newly done at the writing herof which is July 18, 1682, Lord, Awake or remove them.

155 Mr Robinson vicar of Ambry (alas a careles swearing man) having marryed his daughter to Mr Heyford (late chaplain at Fixby) placed him at Honly Chappel (one Armitage dying having left 16li a year to it) yet not content therwith will needs thrust out Mr Ellison from Meltam (to wch 40li a year is fixed) to place his son in law in yt place also, and tho Mr Ellison had Mr Robinsons hand for Meltam yet he denys his own hand charging Mr Ellison for forging it, tho he acknowledged to several that he had given him his hand. Strange things this Robinson doth, however Heyford is a very debaucht person as tis reported. this is July 22, 82. Mr Robinson burying a corps at Ambry [Almondbury], one sd to him How do you, he pointed to the grave, sd going thither. He replyed, Lord fit you. He said fit or not fit we must goe.

156 Mr Clark vicar of Huthersfield hath behaved himself with strange insolency since he came thither in many things, particularly concerning a house and land of 10li a year given to the poor decayed housekeepers of Huthersfield, but he would needs have it in his hands that he might give it to the common poor of the parish, wherby he lost the favour of the townsmen, with many other strange acts.— he hath made a law that if any weddings come to church after the clock hath struck 12 they must pay 5sh or not be marryed.

157 Mr Brigs of Burton hath been very troublesom about a noble a year due to the poor of the parish, but it cost a troublesom suit, they cast him, made him pay it.

Mr Swift of Peniston preacht at Hulmfirth for Mr Savil minister there when he was sick, and upon Sabboth 8 Aug. 1682 Mr Brigs ordered a citation to be read agt Mr Swift for baptizing a child without crosse, and churching a woman in the pulpit. Mr Savil read it at Hulmfirth.

157 [sic] At the sessions at Leeds July 13, 82, and 14, were several dissenters called, some quakers, some wherof paid fines, others went to prison, strict inquiry was made about conventicles, constables sworn to their Bills, * there was none so fierce as Sir Jonathan Jennings of Rippon

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* See Notes from Sessions' Rolls in Heywood's and Dickenson's Register.

(the person that killed Aisloby in a duel at York on a Lords day desperately, is knighted since, made justice) came to Leeds, which is not usual, he was mad agt protestant dissenters, yea so raging that his fury moderated other justices, he fined Will. Brigs (constable of Batly) 10li, made him give bond to pay it, otherwise he had gone to prison, askt persons that was to be bond for others when they were at church, whether they heard common-prayer which Mr Wittan told him were not proper Questions, since they came on other busines, he was indeed strangely transported. Sr Jo Kay, Mr Horton, Mr Pupils, justices came to Hooly hall (where Mr Stephenson a papist lives, steward to Lord Bruitnal a papist) where there was to be a great match at bowles on Saturday July 15, for 40li a peece, how long they stayd, I know not but—

158 At the sessions at Rotheram the week following July 18, 82, Sr John Reasby gave the charge, agt papist, protestant dissenters. the Duke of Norfolk dined the Justices at the Colledg, afterwards they went to the Inne, discoursed of affaires. Mr Jessop of Broomhall, justice, was agt swearing the constables in the case of informing of conventicles, affirming there was no law for it. Sr Jo Reasby sitting on the other side the table told him he should be informed agt above. Mr Jessup said that was not the first time if he was, and sth he, its known by this. Sr John Reasby took up a lead standish and threw it at Mr Jessups face, hit him on the cheek, made a great wound, Mr Jessup reacht to his cane, Sr John starts up on the floor, drew his rapier, Mr Jessup was hindred from coming behind the table, being fat, but his son (Mr Willm Jessup a stripling of 15 or 16 yeares of age) goes to the floor, grasps about Sr Johns midle (being a little man) holds him, gets hold of his rapier, thrusts it to the wall, &c. so the brabble was stopt, Mr Jessup bled much blood, they got a basin, washt it, sent to the Apothecary for a plaister, but this also by gods providence tended to the moderating of justices towards dissenters. Mr. Bloom, prosecuted on 5 mile act, Mr. Benton for conventicles, Mr Wadsworth for absence from church, &c., came off well, blessed be god.

159 On wednesday Aug. 2. 1682, (we being at a day of thanksgiving at Hagstocks) there was a mad cocking at Halifax at

the Backside of the Crosse (on wch widow Mitchel hath bestowed 20li to make it fit for the purpose) Justice Horton won 30li of John Greenwood (Daniel Greenwoods son of Halifax) and poor lad he cryed at night complaining of abuse. Mr Horton lets him have money, buys houses and land of him.—abundance of people were there, many ranting gentlemen, Mr Thornhil, Mr Dean, Mr Oates, &c. oh wt oaths sworn, wt wickednes committed !

On munday Aug. 7, 82, was 3 races at Halifax, some run stark naked. They say 11 races were run at Halifax on Munday Aug. 21. fearfull uproares.

160 on Sabbath day at Halifax church Aug. 6. 82, were read 40 some say near 60 citations agt so many persons, some for suffering swine to goe into churchyard, others for wrongs, scolding, &c., John Wilson parish clerk (present) was cited the last for 1 being frequently drunk, 2 not kneeling at prayers, 3 for pissing agt the church wal, the Dr would have them read, begets new quarrels. Nov. 12. 82, being sacrament day Dr Hook sent for Jo. Wilson on day before so they were reconciled, so sate down togather.

161 the same day Isaac farrar, sen, and I. F. junr and one Howgate of Sowrby ordered a rushbearing there. Mr Wittar the minister opposed it, made a speech agt it in the chappel, but in spite of him they caused a man to give notice of it, gave Mr Witter angry words, abused him basely, broke open the doores the morning after, sd he should preach no more there, calld him cobler, sent to Mr Wood to preach at Rushbearing, he refused without Mr Witters consent, sent to Mr Town, he came but upon Mr Witters expressing himself agt. it, he also forbore, this is that I. F. that on thursday before went to the constable, Micael Barret, to urge him to break up our meeting at S. H. but he refused and whose son was cited for getting 2 bastards, as Mr W. told him, but he forebore reading them bec. he was fled, and tho Beverly their former clark dyed miserably in great horrour for proclaimg. the rushbearing agt Mr. Witters mind.

162 upon tuesday, wednesday, thursday, Aug. 15, 16. 17 days, 1682, the gentlemen have appointed a fair for horses at Wakefield, there they met, Duke of Norfolk, Lords, Knights, &c., a very great com pany, and withal to make up that

solemnity an horse race is ordered upon the outwood moor, for plates, prizes, where several days they have brave sports as they imagine, but its feared god is dishonoured. Mr. Jo. Mitchel in our town was one of the fondest, his horse run.

163 on Aug. 31, 1682 J. P. [Jon. Priestley,] having been in the country told me of the very outragious sinning there is in all places, even little children will curse, damne, in a very horrid manner.—at Leieester several Lords laid wagers which could out swear one another. Mr Clark, Mr Shuttlewood, N. C. ministers, violently persecuted, abundanee ruined and undone by prosecuting the law for 20li a month, beds taken from under them, &c.

164 there was a raee on Swath-more in Northourum township Sept. 19. 1682, multitudes of people at it, great drinking, vanity, two lads run.

Another at Richmond, D. Norfolk, Lord Latimer, &c, abundance of gallants at it.

Another at Leeds Sept. 20, 82, and at other plaees, one by Leverpool.

Another at Winchester where the K and nobles were, horse races great store, the whole earth sitteth still, is at rest, Zech. 1. 11.

165 at Halifax Dr Hook having been absent at South-well, Rippon, &c. many Sabboths togather, procured his curates to preach on Sabboth-days in forenoon, but afternoon the place is totally vacant, nothing but common prayer read, people goe to other places, but most sit at home, club i. e. send for ale as W. E. informed me, few will goe to church to hear nothing but common prayer read—the Dr (that had banisht Mr Rither) being told of it, said it was nothing to him. Oh Lord remember poor soules, have eompassion. 2 [Ch.] 11. 5

166 It seemes still the world is mad on wickednes. Oct. 11. 82 was a great race at Swaits moor, multitudes of people and others, &c. John Greenwood lost 10li at a shooting match near Leeds that week: another appointed by Halifax its sd by him, on wednesday, oct. 18, 82, stil such riotous routs, almost every week, these not suppressed.

[In the same volume, but with the book inverted, are the following forty memoranda.]

[3] * * * this is the more affecting bec. about the same time

Joseph Midglys yong child of Wyke climbing up a ladder in the barn fell down was crusht dyed within two days, how * * his mercys and his judgments past finding out.

[4] One Samuel Waterhouse borne in Idle Apprentice beyond the river Aire being sent for to see his sister in Idle who lay [ra]ging riding over the water at Eshold, behind another youth the horse shied, the water was not very deep yet falling in this Sam Waterhouse having a wood-leg and his own leg put behind was taken down the water, lost, this was on Lords day Jan. 4. 80, he was not found on Wednesday following, sister knew of it was raving, not sensible of anything when I was at Idle wch was the week after. Lord sanctify this: this Sam Waterhouse was about 24 yeares of age.

5 Dec. 23, 79, A boy on the road near Colne in Lanc. was playing with a cow * * * set home childishly tyed himself about his waist * *

6 dreadfull providence fell out at Beeston near Leeds, a mile and half from Morley Jan. 22, 1680. Mr Scur his [mo]ther and maid-servant were all burnt to death, and the house they dwelt in, None can tell how or when it was done, nor was it discovered till the Friday morning, when they were taken out of the ashes, what was left of them. Mr. Jo. Brooksbank told me the Sabboth following that he saw them on the friday, being strangely disfigured, dismembred, Mr. Scurs crown of his head being burnt off that they might see the brains, his mothers legs burnt off a great hole made in her side in a formidable manner, he lying in the chamber, she in the parlour wch when building was burnt dropt down, was found in the ruines by her, the maid in another room. No body can guesse, how this should come to passe, but house and barn were burnt to the ground. The man was brought up a minister and before the change of times had preacht at Beeston, a great schollar, of singular fine parts, of notable ingeny [?] mild temper, not easily provokt, had a wife formerly, but dead many yeares agoe, had an estate of 300li a year, but had made most of it away in suites at law to wch he * * * himself * * * my good friend Mr Moses—cast him, he had extraordinary skill at law, oft more judgment than his * * begd liberty to plead his own cause, this occasioned his confidence in suits wch

ruined him, brought him into debt, straits, quite outed him of Beeston-hall, he was retired to a little poor thatcht house wherein he preacht of late to those that came to him. The last suit he had was with some colliers, whom he had bound to work for him as long as water run under Leeds bridg, they blow off, he sued them, whether some burnt him and all he had out of malice, or first robed him, its not known, but sad it is: there is some grounds of suspicions 1 that some first murdered, then burnt the house for the two men (colliers of the neighbourhood) have [been] wanting ever since, 2 those 2 and he fell out that day and they gave him some threatening words, 3 his gold ring was found at a distance from the house, 4 he received 10li that day. the Crowners quest went upon him then they were all buryed on Monday Jan. 26. 1680.

[On the margin,—] Holroyd and Little[w]ood com. [for trial] at York Assizes Aug. 1682, Holroyd was hanged [ ] chains Holbeck.

8 Feb. 4. 1679-80, at Mr Hen. Ramsdens Colepit near Ealand a boy of about 12 or 13 yeares of age of a Scotchwomans near Halifax fell into the colepit 40 yards, both his legs broken, armes, collar, &c, yet alive, March 1: he fell 40 yards but colepit was 80, it was a wonder

9. Mary [ ] of Norwood-green was at—ah Tetleys with her work on Tuesday—1680, pretty well, only they observed that she was something sadder then she was wont, towards evening all on a sudden she was struck with an astonishing madnes, they had much adoe to get her home to the hil-top. Martha Smith and Mary Rhodes walkt with her, she is of incredible strength, got hold of M. R. when none else present, and got her down, laid hold of her throat, and but that she cryed out, help came, she had choakt her, being in a raging furious manner seized on. Lord sanctify it—(she recovered.)

10 On thursday night Aug. 26. 1680, there was as formidable a lightning as ever I beheld. I was then at Bent-hall in Lauthersdale in Craven, it was but one terrible crack of thunder but lightend almost constantly for 2 houres togather. its sd that in Nottinghamshire 18 bays of building were fired.

11 A painter or plaisterer at Leeds one was sick of a

feaver, a woman tended him, she fell asleep, he got out of bed, run to the water, drowned himself in the night, Oct. 1680.

12 another man at a mill tampering with a wheel, when the mill was going it got hold of him, took him up then down again twice or thrice, smasht him to peeces dreadfully.

13 Another man near York was going to buy the Crowners office, as he rid behind his company, his horse cast him, his foot stickt in his stirrup, trayled him after him, dashed him in peeces miserably, all these told me Octob. 16. 1680, fallen out lately.

14 One Thomas Walshaw of Burstal parish and his son pursuing a mad dog, having killed him as they thought with pitch forks, going after a season to see him he arose and grind at them, he bit the man by the arme as he held him and the son by the finger as he cut his throat, the man dyed of it within a fortnight, the son lived some moneths, but pined away and dyed tho several meanes was used : this was this summer 1680.

15 one Mathew Midleboroughs wife serving a swine (tho she had warning before that he was mad) he got her by the arme, bit her, shortly after dyed, she made nothing of it but sd she could wash away the venum—but now (wch is Nov. 10. 80) a fortnight after she is fallen dangerously ill of it, likely to dye..

16 Jeremiah of Sowrby a mason working in a stone delph near Eawood was crusht to death with a fall of stone, his wife fell into travel at hearing of it, he was killed friday Nov. 19. 1680, buryed at Sowrby on Sabbath following.

[17] On Saturday night Dec. 11. 1680, betwixt 5 and 6 a clock in the evening was seen a streamer or strange comet in the heaven, its foot or rise was about 2 a clock sun in summer, rose up higher as to the height of the firmament still bending towards the north west 20 yards as they judged, a quarter of a yard broad, very bright and shining, it was like a sword or spear thick towards the bottom, as it rose higher so it waxed smaller, the bottom of it seemed to be in a cloud, it was seen by multitudes above an hour togather, in Halifax, &c. Jeremiah Baxter, Issac Longbotom, Mtris Dawson told me they saw it long togather.

I saw it on Wednesday night Dec. 15, and several other nights, since then of different shapes, then as a pillar above a yard broad and to our appearance 2 long: its now in the west—still keeps so—its still every night tho growing lesse, this night I see it viz Dec. 26. I see it again this night Jan $168\frac{1}{2}$ and have a letter from London this day that its seen there with some other prodigys, viz. in the west 3 suns seen at once, a pillar of fire, a naked arm and hand holding a flaming sword, great numbers of birds fighting, two armys engaging one agt the other, one appearing from the west, the other from the north, at last the northern army seemed totally routed. [On the margin-] I see it [the comet] Jan. 6, its much decreased.

18 Jonathan Lacock near free school at Halifax, a quaker, and his wife, their eldest son going to cut a tree fell down on Thursday Dec. 16, 80, was taken up almost dead, since then his lower parts from middle downward are indeed really dead, he hath no sense or feeling of them at all, strike, prick, punch them he cannot feel, there he lyes still as a sad spectacle—this is Decemb 26, 80. he dyed and was buryed in their own garden Jan. 8. 168^{0}_{1} Lord sanctify it—two quakers spoke.

19 John Parker of Warley a poor labouring man, hath toyled hard, got 3 or 4 li in money, found himself not very well, went to thresh as he was wont, came home pretty timely of the day, complained he could not work, on Saturday about Dec. 18. 80, his wife gave him some sharp words, he begun to despond and conceit he should be sick and lye ill and should come to want, and Satan set in therewith, so that it prevailed, and on Sabboth day night he complained he was not wel, askt his wife to rise and fetch a candle, while she went before she returned he rose and cut his throat, bled excessively, she sent for neighbours, they sent for James Bently apothecary in Halifax, he found him alive, for he had not cut the windpipe, he sewed and it mends, but the man despairs crys out he hath shaved himself, sth he hath wronged such and such, offers to tell something, but his wife hinders him.

20 A man went from Halifax for a calf at Cullingworth, called as he came back at Denham yate for a pot of ale

immediately after was stifled with snow, found dead, and the calf standing by him, this was feb 4. 168^0_1, the same day my son came safe home tho it was an astonishing day of snow and driving.

21 A man near Ripponden in the great snow on lords day morning rising to fodder his cattle feb. 13, 8^0_1 having traced a horse to the moor was found dead in the snow, buryed feb. 15.

22 Samuel Guest (that drove Mr. Rich. Langleys horses) had a shrewish untoward wife, said he would never come home to her, made attempts several times to make away himself, and tho he was watcht yet slipt off the horse and leapt over the bridg and drowned himself at the water near Lady Wins, March 16, 1681, its little regarded.

23 on munday night one a shoomaker, a kind of quaker but a loose [ ] now living in Colne, having been a mile off with some vain company, drinking came home, in the way put off his cloths being full of drink, went naked into a dirty lane, then to his cloths again, as appeared by his dirty feet on them, then into the lane stark naked, there was found dead 20 yards from his cloths on tuesday morning March 29, 1681, without any wound.

24 On Friday April 1. 1681, one Willm Ellis, stable-groom at Hooly-hall in the old Lds days and the last went into the stable, and was found dead with his armes crossed on his breast, they buryed him on Saturday, the Coroner hearing of it sent for the constable, J. Capp—at, caused him to be taken up again, and a jury went upon him on wednesday.

25 An old woman in Southowrum dying, a yong maid to whom she was aunt living with her, a good while after could not find in her heart to goe into the room where her aunt dyed, a neighbour after some weekes coming in, sent her into that parlour, shut her there, the wench gave a shriek and shortly after dyed, Apr. 1681.

26 one John Coward, Smith at Colne-brigs, going to swim a horse in Calder near Cowper-bridg tuesday 17, 1681, lighting in a whirle-pool they that were on the bridg called to him, bidding him to take care of himself, he put up his hand, saying, I warrant you, immediately the horse clambred up, kickt him off [its] back, he was drowned. the day

after Mr Dawson, my wife, and I riding by saw him lye there, many people were waiting for the Crowner, bared his face, let us see him, it was a sad sight, oh for instruction thence.

27 On Whitsun tuesday May 24, 1681, Mr Clay, brother to Mr Clay of Clay-house, riding a young horse, was cast and had his neck broken, its sd he had 8 bastards.

28 John Bilbys wife of Newark having buryed her husband and 4 children since Candlemas, came over to her mother, an ale wife at Stairfoot near Barnsly was melancholy, taylors were making her a new gown, she with-drew herself into an out-room, hangd her self Aug. 2. 1681, her feet toucht the ground, a smal cord. She hath left 6 children, a competent old taylors shackt her but she was dead.

29 Two men at Huthersfield on munday Nov. 14. 1681, were picking a milstone, the dryer and his son profane fellows and the miller was but gone out to light a pipe of Tobac., come in again, the milstone was fallen on them, had killed them both stark dead.

30 William Shepheard dryster at Shibden mill had one child buryed on friday Dec. 2. 1681, of the small pox, and two children lay dead in the house besides on Dec. 7. 81, the week following of the same disease.

Isabel Hodgson had a son in Craven that rid before his grandmother to Halifax a fortnight agoe, dyed of 2 days sicknes of smal pox after his return, mother heard but of it last week—this day Dec. 7. 81, she hath a daughter dead of the same disease.

31 one Tho Ho[pkinson ?] * * * down a lad the boy fel with, the Lady gets one Sharp to let him down puts the lad on the [ ] himself on hooks—near the top fals down dead with the damp, the lad was near death is yet alive but weak, this was Nov. 30, 1681.

32 one John Smith a tanner in Craven had been hunting drinking at Beeston, went home through waters, horse found and hat but man never found—this was Dec. 1. 1681 : he was found some months after in his own ground or near it.

33 Lidia Priestly (Jonathan Priestlys daughter) coming home from Joseph Priestlys of Norland on horse-back rid through the brook from Godley towards Lower briar in a flood, horse swam, near going out but horse fel, beat down the bridg,

she fell in, was taken up dead, Dec. 17. 1681, a dreadful, preaching providence, she was 20 yeares of old [sic].

34 George Whitelys wife in Rushworth riding towards Halifax behind a yong man that was to marry her daughter to buy wedding cloths on thursday feb. 9. 168½, they lived in Rushworth, lighted to warm them and drink a cup of ale at Sarah Batess in Sowrby, as they got on again, the horse being yong started, and turned suddenly, she fell off backward, broke her neck, never spake, was taken up dead, her nose crushed, &c. it was a sad and sudden spectacle, Lord sanctify it.

35 One James Wilkinson living near fixby coming from Wakefield on friday, feb. 24, 168½, staying a little behind the man (whom he bade goe before with the horse while he drank 2 or 3 peny pots of ale at Morfield with another man) sd I shal get over the moor before it be dark, went away a foot, being alone, but was never heard of to this day wch is March 30, 1682, full 5 weeks, tho many people have sought him all along the moor and in colepits and in the river Calder, being to goe over Cowper bridg, but all in vain, its much wondered at what can be become of him.

36 A granchild of John Cordinglys, his daughters child wch he kept (and none was left alive of two couples of twins, 4 children, but that daughter) went into a by-room where they had set boyling liquor and it fell in, was scalded dead, drowned, a sad sight, this was Octob. 9. 1682, the child 2 yeares of age. Lord sanctify it to them all, a lovely child.

38 [sic] On Wednesday Octob. 11. 1682, a man of Newzam washing his wool at Lockwood bridg near Huthersfield, a woman near him seeing a great gushing of water coming down like a bench called to him, bade him get out of the way, but he, striving more to get the wool up and out of the way then to secure his own life was surprized with that sudden and strange flood, man and horse and wool all carryed away, the horse was taken up alive below, but the man was not found till munday Oct. 16, below Hurthersfield, carryed a mile and half, was buryed at Huthersfield as J. A. came by to my house, Oct. 20. 1682—it was a wonderfull flood, the water being low before, that wave rolling al on a sudden raised it, wch some think proceeded from some damms bursting on the moores above by sudden rain did raise it.

39 one James Walker living with his —— at Crosseland hill in Ambry parish, a young —— of 18 yeares of age, was going with many more towards Manchester before day Nov. 4. 1682, his companions stayd, drinking at an alehouse, he went before being a foot and alone, going over stepping stones at a brook that parts Lanc. and Yorkshire called Tong-brook, its likely fell off, light in some hole was drowned, one of the company rid over presently after, saw somthing in the water, thought it some old tree taken down water, his horse boggled but he suspected nothing, he was found there in the morning, buryed at Ambry on munday Nov. 8 (or 6) 1682, sad providence.

40 On Thursday night Nov. 23. 1682 J of Hightown constable there coming home with his wife at Milns brig, at the mildam horse stumbled, he got off but the wives foot stickt betwixt the horse and foot-board, he dragd her al along in the dirt, run a quarter of mile trailing her, dasht her in dreadful manner, she lived till Saturday, dyed, the jury found the horse the bane, wch they redeemed for 15sh.

But as sin abounds, so gods hand is gone out in a dreadful manner in such like accidents beyond my observation.

Mr John Hargreaves, of Halifax, Crowner, told a friend of mine that he hath an account of 308 such sad accidents since he came into that office, wch is little above 20 yeares.

Henry Richardson of Ovenden dyed suddenly.

Henry Smith near Milnes brig killed with the falling of a tree.

A Scripturall Fast*

described and promoted
or
An Account of the kinds
nature, parts, Ends, and
occasions of a Religious
fast, also
who are to appoint it,
who must observe it,
together with
The preparations before it,
The proper work on a fast-day
The attendants upon it,
with a
Brief application of all
to our selves
Being
some meditations upon
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The Epistle to
the Reader

Courteous Reader

I am very sensible, that I have undertaken a difficult province, to explicate this paradox, or seeming contradiction namely, to direct in a part of gospel-worship, what in itself is no part of instituted Worship, to describe an Extraordinary duty, that is in some respects no duty at all, but an adjunct of duty: for Divines generally say concerning fasting that [per se non, est species Dei cultus, sed *katati* secundum quiot] it is no Essentiall part of gods worship in itself Rom 14 17 :] (for the kingdom of god is not meat and drink) yet respectively and reductively this work of fasting may be so managed as it may become not only a

* This short treatise is printed here because it does not appear in Mr. Vint's "Works of Rev. O. Heywood," 5 vols., Idle, 1825.

great help in Religion but a part therof, acceptable to god, and profitable to Christians: its true, prayer, reading, hearing the word, covenanting with god may be performed without fasting yet there are seasons wherin god calls for fasting, and makes it our indispensible duty, for the greater solemnity of other dutys and furtherance of them: so that it would be mens sin to omit it, in such calls: as is evident in psal 22 12 13: The work of fasting then must not be performed singly by it self, but conjunctly with other dutys: fasting and prayer are usually joynt-companions in scripture-dialect:

Let christians then be well informed in the nature of fasting, and not look at it as [pars cultus sed tantu ut medium, quo verus cultus promo vetur] not as part of worship but as a mean to promote it, [Dr Aines cas: cons so far as it disposeth the soul unto extra- lib 4 c 21 ordinary acts of gods worship and it disposeth chiefly by removing those impediments, which hinder our earnest invocation: some haue further added [preces nobis jejunijs alendum, et quasi saginanchun] that fasting-days are soul-fatting dayes, because prayer is edged and winged thereby: and tis possible in a due fasting, the pinching of the body may be a spur to humiliation and ardent supplication: for such a like cause of promoting Religion and his own salvation, the blessed Apostle Paul sth I keep under my body and bring it into subjection both [1 Cor 9 27 words are very Emphaticall [ ] I beat it black and blew, and make it my servant, i e in the work of Cht thats its place and office, for its not fit this carcasse should be my master: but this fasting is of use [ut spiritus sit expiditior ad res Divinas] that the spirit might be fitter for holy excercises. Christians must neither be stoicks nor Epicures, senseles nor sottish, rejoyce when god calls them to it, and mourn upon due occasions: it becomes us to dance after the gospel-pipe, to [Mat 11 17 lament upon notice of legall thunderings: indeed we read of Basil and Hieroms austerity in fasting: But god calls us not to be Hermites or Anchorites: the proper work of a Christian is joy: Rejoyce evermore, but tis added, pray without ceasing: and [1 Thes 5 10 17 be afflicted and mourn, and weep, let your laughter be turned into mourning and [Lam 4 9 10

your joy into heavines, humble your selves—Why so many words to the same sense? surely, sth a good interpreter, because its an hard duty, flesh and blood must be much urged to acts of sorrow: tis, sth he, one of the fancys now in fashion, men would be altogether honeyed and oyled with grace, the wholsom severitys of Religion are distasted — men think we are legall when we presse humiliation: but those that will be Christians must look to mourn: its necessary and wholsom: the spirit descended in the form of a dove, to note both meeknes and mourning: godly grief is the prologue to true mirth, as a womans travelling pangs introduce great joy: and that joy shall not be taken away, that sorrow brings Repentance not to be repented of:

Dr Maritun in loc:]

Job 16 21]

2 Cor 7 10]

There was never greater cause of fasting and mourning then at this day, iniquity abounds, the love of many groweth cold: Hell breaks loose, heaven is shut, the spirit of prayer withdrawn, customarines and formality seizeth on most professors, god is provoked, threatens to disinherit us, wrath is gone out, the plague is begun, where is the man that stands in the gap, betwixt the living and the dead? there are not such fasts as formerly: god will awake that ancient spirit of fasting and prayer, before he have mercy: You may now fast at far easier rates, if you will stirre up your selves to take hold on god before the decree bring forth: Are there not bad symptomes upon us? look about you, consider heart-affecting objects: the eye is for two things for sight, and for teares: let your eye affect your hearts, and then distill through your eyes: can you see god dishonoured, his sabboths profaned his gospel despised, and not be concerned, deeply afflicted? may you not suspect your saintship: all gods children have been Heraclites: is it not better be mourners in Zion then sinners in Zion? oh for a spirit of mourning and supplication! let none say what must we fast for? I might Answer have you no sins of your own, or your Relations that might occasion you to keep a fast? then look about you, have you not heard the voyce of swearing, cursing, blaspheming the sacred-name of the living god? have you not seen drunkennes reeling in the streets, is there no whordom, scoffing at godlines oppression in your neighbourhood? happy are you if you live in such places where notorious

wickednes doth not break out: and can you forbear fasting and mourning for others sins? then you give ground of suspicion that you are not gods children! you bring others guilt on your selves, and bring judgments on the nation; and is there no cause of fasting in a due sense of the wars abroad, poverty at home, decay of trade, many diseases raging, the underming plots, carnall policy, non-excecution of justice upon grosse offendors, bitter divisions amongst professors, preachers, the death of godly ministers, the unsuccessefulnes of the word, the hasting of thousands to the pit of destruction, the incorrigiblenes of the nation under various dispensations, generall ingratitude and unreasonable murmurings: What good soul can forbear fasting upon these astonishing considerations? But if there be no other cause of fasting your own thoughts, if you be sensible will suggest personall grounds of frequent fasting, it is said of Anna Luk 2 37 she was a widow of about fourscore and four years, which departed not from the temple, but served god with fastings and prayers night and day: i. e. frequently, as the word notes, or assiduously, instantly, you see she was not superannuated by old age (for some make her above an hundred), but still attended ordinary and extraordinary excercises of Religion:

Some make it a question whether poor people that have much adoe to maintain their familys by hard labour should comply with autority in keeping a fast? But surely, the poor have souls to save, a god to serve, are sharers in the common sins and calamitys of a nation, may be helpfull as well as others and cannot be excused, and this fasting may both promote and consecrate their dayly labours: generall calling and particular doe not interfeer if wisely managed:

But by any means take heed of a popish spirit, popish manner and End in fasting, that have their stated times of fasting, protract some to an incredible length, beyond mans ability: use choyce of meats, abstaining from flesh, and using greater delicacys wch is both ridiculous and impious, as a doctrin of Devils, obtruding this on the whole church, binding conscience, ascribing merit and satisfaction to these fasts which is no lesse then blasphemy: and do not think that meer abstinence from meat, no nor any outward Acts will be sufficient without an internal work, and breaking off from sin in your life; excercising the graces of the spirit, and walking holily with god all your lives:

I must acknowledg my own ignorance, weaknes, and unfitnes to travel in so momentous a subject as this is But being desired, I have cast in this my poor mite into the offering of god, having met with no just Treatise on this subject, yet it is of great use to manage it well, and who can tell what feasts of Purim may be the result of these matters of our fastings and cryes?

Esther 9 31]

Exposition of Certain laws 106] Weems tels us, that upon the day of Expiation the Jews proclaimed their Jubile teaching thereby 1 that the Lord giveth grace to the humble, 2 that god mixeth grief and joy together in this life to his children, : 3 that the Jubile of the gospel or a proclaiming of the acceptable year of the Lord, shall be to all mourners : 4 That the Jubile of heavenly glory shall bring up the rear of the saints sad fasting-dayes in this lower world : though the children of the bride-chamber now mourn and fast, yet when they shall be translated into the Bride-grooms chamber in the upper Region they shall sing and Rejoyce, and all sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Isai 61 1 23]

Revelatn 22] 17 20 The spirit and the Bride say, come, He which testifyeth these things saith, surely, I come quickly, Amen, even so come Lord Jesus. Amen, and Amen.

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Joel 1 14

Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemne Assembly gather the Elders, and all the inhabitants of the land into the House of the Lord your god, and cry unto the Lord :

chap 1

The context, and coherence considered, text opened

Tis a controversy among interpreters in whose dayes this prophet Joel lived, some say he was contemporary with Isaiah and Hosea, others say he lived in king Jorams time, son of Ahab, in whose days there was a famine 2 Kin 8 1 others say in the days of Hezekiah and Manasse, others under Josiah when there was also a famine 2 Kin 23 26: compared with Jer. 14 1 2: others think Joel prophecyed after the captivity of the ten tribes, hinted ch 3 7:

The judgments predicted are, Ruine and wasting by the Babilonish Army, it concernes chiefly the tribe of Judah, where the house of god was, and oft mentioned : The design of this prophecy is to reckon up and aggravate their sins, 2 to threaten punishments, 3 to Exhort to Repentance, prayer, 4 to annex singular consolations, to prophecy of the Messiah &c.

He exhorts old men to take speciall notice of this unparalleld judgment v 2 : that they may leave Memorials of this wonder to future generations [hoc pietatis seminarium, hic nervus disciplinæ] this personall instructing of posterity is the seminary of piety the sinews of disciplin, without which the fruit of publick ministry wil be small :

Qu how can he here say there was no such judgment, when tis said in Exod 10 14, no such locusts before, nor after? Ans, this calamity differed from that in Ægipt, 1 in time, for this, continued four entire yeares, that but one day: 2 in plenty of judgments, here was four severall kinds, viz 1 palmerworm, 2 locust, 3 canker-worm, 4 caterpiller : these take their turnes as instruments to destroy. Though these were really literally sad judgments upon Judah ; yet some understand them Allegorically, noting the incursions of 4 Enemys, viz Tiglath-pilneser, Salmanaser, Sennacherib, and Nebocodnezzar: others the 4 monarchys that wasted Israel ; By palmer-worm they understand Assyrians, Chaldean by locust, Medes and persians, by the cankerworm, the Macedonians, especially Antiochus Epiphanes, by caterpiller, the Romans, they grounded it on Jerem 31 14 27 ; Nah 3 15 16 :

But to leave these conjectures its most probable god made

use of these creatures to correct Judahs sins, and produce a grievous dearth.

The prophet rouseth all to the work of Repentance, giving pathetical Reasons for it, from the nature, and consequences of these judgments, ver 5 to ver 13 :

1 The persons he urgeth chiefly to the work, are principally the ministers of the Altar, or ministers of my god, v 13 : 2 The work he calls them to is, 1 girding themselves, 2 lamenting, 3 howling, 4 lying all night in sackcloth : this concernes the priests in particular :

2 There was somthing of a publick concern, relating to all the people in generall, v 14 : wherein are these 7 things considerable

viz
1 The priests to whom he speakes
2 The work to be done, sanctify a fast
3 The solemnity of it, solemn Assembly
4 The persons concerned, Elders, inhabitants :
5 The place where, into the house of the Ld :
6 The work to be done : cry to the Lord :
7 The incouragemt—he is your god :

Sanctify ye a fast, or prepare ye, You priests take you care that the people be prepared for observing a fast, its not enough that you mourn, but you must invite and direct others in this so needfull work : whence obs this

Doct That before a solemn fast gods ministers must exhort and instruct people in the due management of it :

Not only upon the day of fasting and prayer must ministers urge this duty, but before the day, when it is fixed, indicted, appointed must they prepare people for it, that they may be in a fitter capacity to perform it in the due order

for 1 when any persons are sanctified, and qualified to perform a duty right themselves, those can better, yea must, and will give instructions to others how to perform it : it is their property as well as duty, their character as well as charge : such as are well taught will teach : my father taught me, and I teach you : sth Solomon pro 4 1—4 : see psal 78 2 3 4

2 Because most people are ignorant of the true nature, manner, use, and Ends of right fasting, till they be duely instructed therin, and it becomes a preacher to teach the people knowledg, that they may know what they doe in the things of god, and not worship an unknown god, or by a blind devotion :

Eccl 12 9]

Act 17 23]

3 Because there is scarce any thing about Religious Excercises wherin men are so apt to mistake and miscarry as in this of fasting, either we are apt to slubber over the duty by an outward performance, as Ahab did [1 Kin 21 27 or to make big of it, as if it did constitute us righteous before god, as the vapouring pharisee, Luk 18 12, and as papists at this day :

4 Because no fast or any Excercise of Religion pleaseth god but that wch is performed after the due order, so 1 chron 15 13, god is exact in matters [1 chron 13 9 10 about his worship, he struck dead Uzza for [Lev. 10 1 but touching the Ark, Nadab and Abihu for offering strange fire : yea in this case of fasting the Lord insists much upon the manner : Isai 58 5 is it such a fast that I have chosen ? and ver 6 is not this the fast yt I have chosen: interrogations have a great Emphasis in them : god is very jealus about his own worship : men in their rash zeal and blind devotion, think that must needs please god that pleaseth their own humour, but god calls us back to his own appointment, [et jus eligendi sibi uni vendicat] he alone challengeth the right to govern men in matters of worship and its rationall that if we think to please god, we should doe according to his prescript rule, which must be taught all people by gods ministers whose lips should keep knowledge Mal 2 7

All this is preparative to what I have to say concerning fasting, that it is fit people should be instructed in the busines of fasting, that they may neither shoot short by prophanes, nor sore by superstition :

[Hebrew] : the word imports a separating any thing from a common to a sacred use, consecrating by god accounting it holy by man : in piel it imports a decreeing, preparing, or ordering a thing, applied to Assembly, fast, warre, slaughter as 2 kin 10 20 proclaim or sanctify a solemn Assembly for Baal : go prepare war Micah 3 5 : when tis applyed to god, its to make holy Lev 21 23, when to man it notes to declare holy, as men are sd to sanctify gods name, Ezek 39 27 : so here : the word [Heb.] ; jejunavit, signifies only an abstaining from meat and drink in whole or in part, upon some speciall occasion : [neseia a privatica chiefly of grief or lamentation as David particula vu et for his child, 2 Sam 12 21 : But there *edsein* edere ;

are severall concomitants and appendages of fasting, to be explained:

Doct A due sanctifying of a fast is at some seasons the duty of gods people:

There are proper seasons for the people of god to Excercise themselves in solemn fasting:

In handling this subject I shall a little explain fasting under these Questions

1 What kinds of fasting be there?
2 What is the fasting here meant?
3 Who must appoint a fast?
4 Who must keep a fast?
5 Wherin doth fasting consist?
6 What are the Ends of fasting
7 What are the occasions of a fast?
8 What are our dutys before a fast?
9 What are dutys on a fast-day?
10 What dutys after a fast
and so wind up all in Application

Chap 2

What are the kinds of fasting?

There be 4 kinds of fasting

1 Naturall, necessary, unavoidable such was that of hungry Lazarus at the rich mans gates would fain eat but cannot get it, thus paul and his company had been fourteen days fasting Act 27 33: necessity or affrightment compelled them, no thankes to them: this is neither good nor evil of itself, except in some attendants, the idle soul shall suffer hunger, there fasting is the punishment of sin; in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, theres suffering for Christ: so that naturall fastings may turn to a good or bad account: But I speak not of this fasting

jejunium naturale qd ad] corporis valetudinem vel recuperandam: vel tuends pertinet pet Mart. loc com: clas 3 c 11

pro 19 13] Act 9 9] 2 cor 11 27]

2 Miraculous extraordinary fasting papists have alledged three Examples of extraordinary fastings, which they propose for imitation, one is Christ Mat 4 2: another is Elias 1 Kin

19 8 : and Moses Exod 24 18 : but our Divines have abundantly demonstrated that these instances are singular, and not to be imitated : nay they were not usuall with them, and where doe we find these practices of theirs commanded, or the like promised? Aret : probl : Theol fol 170 : Calvin instit : lib 4 cap 10 sect 20 : nor doe I speak of civil or politicall fasting from flesh for the promoting of the breed of cattel, as in Queen Elizabeths injunctions :

3 Hypocriticall and Diabolicall fasts, I joyn them together as near a kin, this later was Jezabels fast 1 Kin 21 12, Jezabel ordered v 9 proclaim a fast, and set Naboth on high, as if Ahab were a notable penitent under gods hand, and now was become zealous of gods honour, will now inquire into the sins that provoked god, and punish the offender, and therby purge out the offence, and poor innocent Naboth must be the offending Achan : blasphemy is his crime, death must be his punishment, sons of Belial are his accusers, witnesses, his vineyard was the prize aimed at : Naboth is stoned, the vineyard possessed, but guilt presseth Ahab and Jezabel to destruction : oh cursed contrivance ! the scribes and pharisees histrionically acted a mockfast Mat 6 16 they put on a sad face, a sour countenance, yea they disfigured their faces that they might appear unto men to fast, oh desperate hypocrisy, notorious vain-glory ! thus Mimus in the Scene, expressed the persons of Ulisees or Achilles, but was none such : this is hypocriticall putting on the person of another, thence called, [ ] an acting Mimus part-man such mimicall Actors we have, that pretend one thing, intend another, to colour over a sin, or cover a cursed design :

4 There is a Religious fast, a fast which god hath chosen, commanded, and will graciously accept : gods pleasure is the standard of all Acts of Religion : nothing can be accepted but what he hath appointed : * [Isai 58 5, 6 7 :

[* 2 Head Religious fast & that here meant wherin obs: 4 Rules :

but observe 1 That fasting itself is no part of gods prescribed worship as prayer, praise, but it is in itself indifferent, neither good nor evil being neither commanded nor forbid by god, as eating, drinking, buying, selling, though he regulates these yet they are no parts of worship : but if we consider fasting in its circumstances, as a mean to testify and

further our humiliation in Repentance our zeal in prayer, so tis good, and appointed by god

2 Though there be no prescript or positive command for fasting in the New Testament, yet it is lawfull, laudable, and in some cases necessary for 1 our Lord supposeth the use of it, 2 gives directions in the due managing of it, 3 the same command that injoyns the main duty as prayer, doth injoyn all meanes and furtherances to carry on that duty, so fasting is included in prayer, humiliation: 4 gods servants even in gospel-times have used fasting now this (sth Mr Perkins) is a rule in Divinity, that the ordinary Examples of the godly, approved in scripture, being against no generall precept, have the force of a generall rule, and are to be followed or imitated:

3 We are to consider fasting either as an ordinary duty incumbent on all christians in a constant course, so the life of a christian is a dayly fast being tempered with frugality, sobriety, temperance, chastity, and so hath [quandam jejunij speciam, as Calvin hath it] a species or kind of fasting, so that a godly man doth more to please god every day, then a graceles person any day, or on his strictest fasting-day: But 2 Besides this there is a temporary, stated, limited fast, when we abstract somthing from our accustomed manner of living, either for one day or for some ceartain space of time restraining ourselves in our ordinary diet, in a strict or severe manner, both as to quality, or quantity of meats, drinks, recreations, or any thing that tends to the gratifying of the flesh: or sensuall desires or delights:

4 Mere fasting or abstinence is not so much to be insisted upon as the concomitants essentially necessary to the due performance of it as the principle, the rule, the End, which make up the right manner of the Action: god sticks much upon Adverbes: its not enough that a good work be done, but it must be well done: otherwise the Agent may goe away with a curse, rather than a blessing: Every thing that concerns gods worship must be squared accor to the pattern shewed in the mount: And indeed if god had left it to the fancys of men, what a world of wild notions should we have coyned, this is fine, sth one, thats braver saith a second, and a third sth this seems more probable, surely god cannot but be pleased with this way of worshipping him,: and for manner our carnall [Jer 48 10 [Matt 1 14 [Heb 8 5

hearts are apt to slubber over his work of any fashion, and he must be pleased with what we doe, or else our perverse spirits doe quarrel with him, and say as they wherfore have we fasted and thou seest not ? Isai 58 3 god answers them v 5 6 that they missed it in the manner, season End :

This is my Apology for writing a discourse upon this subject : for the Apostle Col 2 22 23 condemnes the commandments and Doctrines of men which things (sth he) have indeed a shew of wisdom in will-worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body—theres scarce any thing that concerns Religious worship that hath been so mnch perverted and abused as this of fasting : as we shall see in the sequel of this discourse :

Chap 3

who must Appoint a fast

The third head proposed is who must appoint a fast ? Ans : god himself appoints a fast, by his word, or providence, as we shall see Anon :

But more particularly there are 4 kinds of Religious fasts, according to wch the generall rules of the word doe authorize severall persons to appoint a fast 1 personall fasting, when a christian upon urgent occasions internall or Externall shall see a necessity for keeping a fast by himself alone : this was the case of David 2 Sam 12 16 21 when his child was struck with sicknes he fasted, went in, and lay all night upon the earth : doubtles his sense of guilt lay heavy upon his conscience, and he saw gods anger in this rod : and this presseth his spirit to a fast : Cornelius was fasting in his devotions till the ninth hour Act 10 2 30 : this might be upon his earnest desire to know the true Messias : in this case a mans own necessity, and prudence must determine the case, and must impose this work of fasting on himself :

2 Theres a Domesticall or Family-fast upon some speciall peculiar causes moving : and this is when either whole or part of the family joyn together in the work, Esth 4 6 I also and my maidens will fast likewise, they were either jewish maids or proselytes, well instructed and trained up in such a duty : so we find in Zech 12 12 13 14 : the Land shall mourn : every family apart, the family of the house of David apart and their wives apart—this was or shall be upon the Jews conversion to

god : they shall see cause of serious mourning in every family for their grievous sin of crucifying and rejecting the Messiah, our Lord Jesus : Oh for such familys ! here the governour begins and orders this fast :

3 Congregationall fasts, in the societys and Assemblys of gods people, either in publick places, or private familys where the members of severall familys meet together to humble their soules and seek god, thus we find in Act 13 3 they fasted and prayed and laid their hands on Barnabas and Saul, whether it refered to their initiation first into the ministry, or particular designation to such a province I dispute not, it was a church-work, appointed and managed by her officers : and it seemes it was frequently used, for Act 14 23, when they had ordained them Elders in every church, and had prayd and fasted ; they commended them to the Lord : here the preses or minister hath the authority under Christ to appoint a fast, as priests and Levites did under the law :

4 Nationall publick fasts, so we find severall publick fasts among the Jews 2 chron 29 3 Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself to seek the Lord, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah : Mr Perkins sth the church must judg of the time and occasion of this fast, and the magistrate must authorize and proclaim it, so compare this text Joel 1 14 and Jonah 3 7 : the law of nature teacheth this :

4th head is, who must keep a fast ? Ans all persons of all estates, degrees Ages, sexes, professions, principles upon speciall occasions,

1 Children, gather the children and those that suck the breasts Joel 2 16 : You'l say, what should the children doe there ? they wil but disturb the congregation. Ans yes children must fast for 1 they have sinned, and may smart under the punishment of it, and should smart under some sense of it, in their capacitys, and manifest signes of Repentance : 2 That men beholding their children which are not free from gods wrath may be lively touched with their own sins, and gods displeasure : nay 3 childrens crys may excite the parents sighs and groanes, 4 children are a fit object to present to god, as an affecting object and motive of mercy to the god of mercy : six score thousand infants in Ninve was an Argt to the good god to spare it : Why may not our Lord listen to childrens crys and be-

Jonah 4 12 :]

moanings as well as their Ecchos of Hosanna ? god loves to be taken hold of by little hands: he can comprehend them that cannot apprehend him

2 Bride-groom and Bride, Joel 2 16 let the Bride-groom goe forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet ; let them cease their embraces at present, though they be lawfull in themselves, yet may and must be [Eccl 3 5 now forborn : this is now a time to refrain from embracing : you may (in a sort and for a season) [1 Cor 7 5 : defraud one another with consent, that you may give yourselves to fasting and prayer : a weighty duty must take place of Christian liberty : All must deny themselves for gods service, and public good :

3 Ministers principally, Joel 2 17 let the priests the ministers of the Lord weep between the porch and Altar. These, these above all must stand in the gap, be gods mouth to the people to excite them to their duty, the peoples mouth to god to intercede for mercy : this is their office, it is their honour, yet an hazardous post, to stand betwixt the living and the dead : who is fit for it? but it [Numb 16 48 must be done, and pastors of churches are to be as he-goates before the flock in such excercises : Joel 1 13 gird your selves, and lament ye priests, howl ye ministers of the Altar, come lye all night in sackcloth ye ministers of my god—you see, there must be ringleaders in fasting : both to be Examples and agents in this solemn work :

4 Magistrates, the greatest kings and princes [Joel 1 14 must not think it below them to fast, gather the 2 16 : Elders, sth Joel, and again, Assemble the Elders this a work proper for them to command, and proper for them to manage : Jerem 13 18 say unto the king and to the queen ; humble your selves, sit down, for your principalitys shall come down—let Lords and ladys descend from their chairs of state, and sit on the ground as mourners, and pinch their pampered flesh by fasting, for they are sinners as well as others, judgments may overtake and dismount them, yea its well if the hand of the princes and Rulers be not chief in the trespasse, Ezra 9 2 : and therefore ought to he first and chief in this soul-humbling work : The great king of Nineveh proclaimed a fast, put on sack-cloth, laid his robe from him, covered himself with sackcloth sate in ashes—Jonah 3 5 6 : and will not

his practice condemn us ? so we see there is somthing even in naturall Religion that calls us to it therfore it is Universall :

Yet take this caution that our good god hath respect to the frailty of some of his servants constitutions, in the busines of fasting, for the weak may be humbled without
Mat 9 13 :] fasting, god will have mercy and not sacrifice, a
12 7 : sickly constitution is dispensed with, for as the poor may keep a day of thanksgiving without fasting, so the sickly may keep a fast without fasting from food : for as some are parsimonious in their diet, so others have weak stomachs and crazy bodys, and some are weak in grace, and this new cloth in an old garment
Mat 9 15 16] makes a rent, and new wine in old bottells makes a rupture : and must be indulged till
* qd] they arrive at some maturity : * as its not convenient to fast in the festivity of the Bridegroomes presence : so my disciples are not yet capable of such austere discipline till the Holy ghost be poured upon them from on high :

Chap 4

Wherin doth fasting consist ? and what are the Ends therof ?

The 5th head to be opened is, wherin doth fasting consist ? I mean it here as to the outword parts therof

The word [in heb, signifies jejunavit, a cibo et potu abstinit,] abstaining from meats and drinks.

But I find in a fast abstinence from other things practiced, as

1 from the marriage-bed and all sensuall delights and pleasures, as is said from Joel 2 16 : 1 Cor 7 5 : at all times men must abstain from voluptuousnes, luxury, riot, but in this case from (othrwise) lawfull delights, wherby the body may be cheared, refreshed, as musick, sweet smells, soft apparel, Recreations, and such like, this Daniel observed for three weekes of dayes, thus he saith Dan 10 2 3—I ate no pleasant bread neither came flesh nor wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all :

2 from costly and gorgeous Apparel hence saith god to Israel Exod 33 5 6 put off now thy ornaments from thee that I may know what to doe unto thee :—and they stript

themselves of their ornaments: interpreters here dispute what these ornaments were some say Moses Tabernacle, others of ceartain golden Coronets on their heads, others their arma Bellica or weapons of warre, swords, bows,: But it is concluded to be their costly and precious apparel, worn in time of publick joy; [Depositis ornamentis lugubri habitu incedebant] now, they went in mourning weeds: its not fit any top-knots or bravery should be visible on a fasting-day [vid Dr Willets Hexapla in loc:

3 Cessation from bodily labour, so it was on the day of afflicting their soules, ye shall not doe any work therin Numb 29 7: it was the day of Expiation Lev 16 29 31 this day was to be kept as a sabboth, without bodily labour; no not to make ready their meat, but this was peculiar to them: for it was a sabboth with them, yea sabbata sabbatorum, for there was a concurrence of many feasts together at this time, much of sacred times being typicall:—but the ceasing from bodily labour is morall, hence god challengeth them in Isai 58 3 in the day of your fast you find pleasure and exact all your labours: whether this be their solemn stated fasts or occasionall, working in their callings was forbidden and forborn but they made their servants inne their work upon the fast-days, from a covetous humour, as unwilling to afford the Lord so much time for his speciall service:

4 Intermitting their meales of meat upon the fast-day: fasting from food either 1 in point of quality, or 2 quantity: and this either 1 for one day, or severall dayes, Esther ordered the Jews, neither to eat nor drink three days, night nor day, 11 so as they were wont toe doe: goe eat and drink no more than meer necessity requires, that you may give your selves to fervent prayer: sometimes the fast continued but one day, then they ate nothing till night, so we find Judges 20 26, the children of Israel fasted that day until the evening: this is requisite at least, for abstinence from morning till noon is no fast at all. This shews the vanity of popish fasts, for they allow persons to drink as oft as they will, and eat any thing, so it be not flesh but fish and other things may be as delicate to the appetite; but abstinence is needfull so far as health and strength permit, that nature be not destroyed, or bodily strength impaired, wherby a person shall be disabled to serve god in his calling: But this is rare. [chap 4 16

Other outward actions were used in fastings as 1 They cast dust and ashes on their heads, Job 2 12 : 2 Rending their mantle or garment, Ezra 9 3 : 3 Plucking off the hair from their heads and beards, ibid : 4 lying all night upon the earth as David 2 Sam 12 16 : 5 putting on sackcloth on their skin, Neh 9 1 : 6 howling Joel 1 13 : 7 drawing water, and pouring it out before the Lord 1 Sam 7 6 — i e abundance of penitent teares : These and such like testimonys of grief were expressed in their publick and private fasts, but they are not obliging to us now, any further then prudence, passion or custome have made necessary or convenient: but some degree of fasting from food is so essentiall to the externall work that papists and protestants acknowledg it, yea the very name of fasting gives denomination to the whole solemnity

The 6th quæry what are the Ends of such externall acts of fasting

Ans: The designes god hath therin and the Christian must propound to himself in this fasting are these

1 To get a due sense of his unworthines, of creature-comforts : he deprives himself voluntarily therof, in effect testifying that god may justly deprive him of all, Lord I bring myself to a morsel of bread a drop of water and have even forfeited this, and am lesse than the least of thy mercys, I have no reason to expect dayly bread from thy hand, in token herof I doe straiten my self of ordinary food : Gen 32 10]

2 To afflict our soules, Ezra 8 21 I proclaimed a fast that we might afflict ourselves before our god, this is a kind of self-scourging, punishing our selves, taking an holy revenge on our selves, wch is an evidence of sincere repentance : I will lay this freely upon my self as a punishment of my former plenitude and luxury, oh wicked hearts, sinfull flesh, be you pinched and pined ! 2 Cor 7 11] *

3 To make sin more odious in our confessions, self-accusations, and our shaming ourselves before the Lord, hence the Ninevites caused their beasts to fast, Jonah 3 7 let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock tast any thing : oh what an odious thing is this sin that affects the dumb and innocent

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* The Hebrew and Greek words are omitted, being equally beyond the Editor's comprehension and the printer's appliances.

creature ! surely its odious in gods eyes and pernicious to the whole creation : beasts low for meat, shall not I cry for the cause of all this misery ?

4 for a sad and solemn Resentment of gods wrath and heavy displeasure this is the case in my text, and in Joshua 7 6 7 when but 36 men were slain, yet that good man saw something of displeasure in that stroke he rent his cloths fell on the earth, on his face before the Ark of the Lord, he made his complaint, plea, and earnest expostulation for reconciliation : oh how can I bear this hot displeasure it will bring me to nothing : O Lord be pacifyed towards thy people

5 for a spur to prayer, we are slack and backward to it, and heartles in it, this fasting promotes watchfullnes, cuts off drouzines, so that a person is more lively and fresh in prayer, watch and pray, when guilt lyes on conscience the heart is more apt to remorse, and so the soul is more fervent to obtain pardon, and mercy from god : this fasting is of use to prevent drouzines, to which a full stomach inclines us : [Mat 26 41

6 for an help to subdue the flesh, for in feasting or full diet the flesh is apt to be luxuriant and wanton, for as the soul worketh by the body, so the body hath great influence on the spirit, the affections are much sweyed by bodily constitution : Paul will keep under his body, to keep it in subjection by this means making it more tame and tractable, to comply with dictates of scripture and Reason: and prevent wantones and uncleanes, for without Ceres and Bacchus, incontinent desires grow cold : [Crassus venter pingues sensus gignit : [1 Cor 9 27 [Sine Cere re et Bacho friget Venus :

7 To be more capable of excercising Acts of Charity, whilest I give that to the poor that I spare from my self, that none of us may be richer for what is thus spared, lest we may seem to fast for covetousnes as some doe for strife, for if that meal we fast from bring any thing to our purses, it will not be accepted, as one sth, let my soul take shame let the poor receive benefit, and god have glory by my fasting :

Chap 5

What are the occasions of a fast ?

The 7th Quæry is what are the occasions that call to fasting ?

Ans : in generall, we must understand that fasting is a work not of an ordinary but extraordinary nature : temperance, and moderation in the use of creatures is an ordinary, and necessary and standing duty, but this fasting we are speaking of is a solemn temporary duty, to be performed at some ceartain seasons upon a call from god, to be discerned by Christian prudence, and conscientiously observed, by devout soules :

We are not here speaking of the solemn prescribed fasts of the Jews, especially that great day of Expiation, A day of afflicting their soules, of Attonement, in Lev 16 16 31-34 where tis said, this shall be an everlasting statute unto you to make an Attonement for the children of Israel, for all their sins, once a year : and such as did any work
Lev 23 29—32] or did not afflict their soules on that solemn sabboth must be cut off from among his
Num 29 7] people ; Howbeit what was morall in a fast may be an Example to us, and practical by us upon these speciall occasions.

1 Upon the breaking forth of some scandalous sin : when we ourselves fall into any grievous god-provoking abomination, wherof our consciences accuse us, and amuse us with dreadfull apprehensions of wrath, thus Israel, being sensible of their idolatry, drew water and poured it out before the Lord, and fasted on that day, and said there, we have sinned against the Lord : 1 Sam 7 6 : this is proper for a particular person, sensible of guilt, to testify our Repentance, and to sue out for pardon and Reconciliation with god. Q d I have not fasted from forbidden fruit, now I will fast from lawfull delights : wretch that I am, what shall I doe, where shall I cause my shame to fall ? god is offended, Christ crucifyed, spirit grieved, righteous laws violated, and shall not I be humbled ? and if I be truely humbled, shall I not testify it, in solemn fasting ? and when many are guilty, they must assemble as Israel did
Neh 9 1] with fasting, with sackcloth and with Earth upon them, and lay it publickly to heart

2 Upon the breaking forth of sin in others, though our selves should be clear Thus did Ezra ch 9 1 2 3 4 5, that good man hearing of the mixt marriages rent his garment, and shews all tokens of grief, yea and all that trembled at the words of the god of Israel : thus did David,
Psal 119 136] Lot, and all gods servants, they fasted, mourned,

because men kept not but brake gods law : oh how must it afflict and affect us to see gods name dishonoured, his sabboths prophaned, his gospel reproached, his servants grieved, and gods judgmts ready to be poured out upon us ! so Paul blames the Corinthians, that they had not mourned for
the incestuous persons unnaturall sinning : oh wt [1 Cor 6 2
work hath a godly heart now-adays ! what murders,
Adulterys, Atheism, and hatefull reproaches of the power of godlines break forth dayly, in the open view of all ! oh that our god would humble us amongst our poor
neighbours for the debates, envyings, wraths, [2 Cor 12 20 21
strifes, backbitings, whisperings, swellings,
tumults breaking out among professors and the unhumblednes and impenitency of most under open scandalls : oh what will become of us ! where is there to be found such as
have the mourners mark, that sigh and cry for [Ezek 9 4 :
all the abominations done in the midst of us ?

3 In case of some imminent danger or some judgments hanging over our heads, and ready to drop down
upon us shall a trumpet be blown in the city [Amos 3 6
and the people not be afraid? doth not god sound
an Alarm, that sinners may seek peace with him ? must heathen Nineve rise up in judgment agt us? oh what solemn fasting was there upon Jonahs preaching ! good Jehoshaphat hearing the tidings of the approach of a great multitude of Enemys set him self to seek the Lord, and proclaimed a fast, 2 Chron 20 2 3 : when a cloud riseth and threatens us with a storm its fit we should dissolve into penitent teares, humiliations, fastings, supplications : doe we not dayly see the professed Enemys of gods grace dig their pits, sharpen their arrows, and lift up their hands against us? and theres no way to ward off the blow, but by lying low at gods foot in fasting and prayer : if ever fasting was in season its in such a case : nature itself will teach us to crouch when we see a blow falling on our heads : thats a strange stupidity that will not mourn when we see wrinkles in gods face, and a rod, or sword in his hand ready to strike :

4 When gods judgments lye heavy upon us : it was time for Israel to goe to the house of the Lord, there to weep and fast when eighteen thousand were slain by the Benjamites, Judg 20 25 26 : yea Joshua thought it called

Josh 7 5 6 7] for solemn humiliation when but thirty six were stricken before the men of Ai: how was David affected when the angel of the Lord had slain seventy thousand men by the pestilence! 2 Sam 24 15-17, its fit men should solemnly fast, when gods hand lyes heavily on; nay though we our selves be free, yet upon the report of the churches calamity, it becomes us to doe as godly Nehemiah ch 1 3 4 tho he lived in prosperity in the kings court, yet when he heard of the remnant being in great afflictions and reproach, he sth, I sate down and wept, and mourned ceartain days and fasted, and prayed before the god of heaven: David
2 Sam 12 16] fasted when his child was sick: yea sth he Psal 35 13 when they were sick (i. e. such as rewarded him evil for good) my cloathing was sackcloth, I humbled my soul with fasting, this was that good mans sympathy, and fellow feeling of others miserys: and if we will not lay to heart others sorrow god will weight us with bitter grief of our own:

5 In case of a difficult undertaking and mercy to be obtaind thus Ezra proclaimed a fast chap 8 21 22, to seek of god a right way,—and safety against the Enemy in the way: none now but the great god could give them a prosperous journey: a due and deep sense of our necessity and gods omnipotency will only ingage persons in this extraordinary duty: this was the reason of Esther and her maids fasting at such a rate, when she made such an hazardous adventure Esth. 4 16 and so, sth she, will I goe in unto the king, which is not according to the law, and if I perish I perish: no other proper meanes can be used, to save the sinking church, and I must and will adventure and trust god in the way of my duty, and let the will of god be done, it was an heroic attempt and a pious way of management:

6 In the case of the death of some eminent person or beloved friend Thus the men of Jabesh-gilead, having buried the bones of Saul, and his sons fasted seven dayes,
Harm: in loc:] 1 Sam 30 13 they did not fast, (sth learned Willet) to procure any ease unto Saul being dead, as the Romanists think by their superstitious prayers and Obits to relieve them which are in purgatory for every man liveth by his own faith not by anothers: Every one shall receive according to that which is done in the body, therfore

that which is done without the body helpeth not: the soules of deceased are not helped by the suffrages of the living: when the gulf is shot, and the soul got beyond time theres no redemption: they fasted only to lament the losse, wch the commonwealth of Israel received by their overthrow: David and his men did the like on the same account, 2 Sam 1 12: he looks on gods displeasure in it, tho it tended to his personall advantage: nor did he act the hypocrite in mourning for Sauls death, when he thanks god for Nabals, for the cases were not alike, for in that later god sustains no dishonour, nor commonwealth prejudice in Nabals as it did in Sauls: god gives nature leave to run out upon the death of friends so it be in a religious channel and leave no filth or sediments behind it: [Luk 16 26 [Ps 49 7

And fasting is of use upon occasion of attending upon god in his ordinances and obtaining a blessing therupon: thus some Christians usually keep a fast before their partaking of the Lords supper: so may ministers and Chtians keep a fast in setting apart godly persons to gospel-work, whether in their first ordination, or particular respect to such a change, or province, Act 13 3 when they had fasted and prayed and laid their hands on them they sent them away: they sent them forth with fasting and prayer for the successe of their labours: and oh what a brave harvest of soules, and lovely draught of fishes is that minister likely to have that is thus sent forth on the wing of believing prayers and regular fasting: this man shal be oddes to another of manifold more learning and parts: give me a fasting preacher rather then flaunting preacher, that makes a great noise amongst men: he that is much with god, god wil be much with him:

9 In case of some Extraordinary busines falling out, particularly as yt of casting out the devil, in his obsession or possession of a person which hath been a frequent case in the primitive times, and hath fallen out in our own dayes, so our Lord sth concerning the dispossessing of some devils, Mat 17 21 howbeit, this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting: An obstinate devil needs extraordinary meanes to eject him: and when satan hath got long and strong hold, he is loath to depart: it may seem that some devils are more fierce and furious then others, and though the same Almighty power is required to eject one as another, yet to convince us of the

difficulty, god calls for more extraordinary means and methods for attaining of it: and this fasting and prayer according to divine institution is better then all the popish charmes and Exorcismes, yet nothing must be ascribed to the instruments, but to the efficient cause: god doth it, but he will
loc com] be sought unto in his own way: the text is obscure,
clas 3 c 10 but Peter Martyr expounds it thus, that Christ by the effects describes the cause, to wit, faith in gods power, and Christs merits, q d, [non oportet vos levitèr ac, otiosè agore, si vultis hoc genus dœmoniorum ejicere] you must not goe slightly to work, but by your vehement prayers and fasting manifest you doe sincerely believe, if youl cast out Devils.

10 In case of the great prevalency of Originall corruption, and the sin that doth so easily beset us: yea if
Heb 12 1] it were for nothing, but Adams first sin, it deserves and requires a fast both for its imputation, and propagation to us: if any of our Ancestours had been Rebels and had therby forfeited and lost a great estate, and stained our blood; should it not call for a fast?
Ezek 16 2] Our father was an Amorite and our mother an Hittite, accursed by god for sin: in stead of a festival for our nativity, theres more need of a fast: our Birth-day was an introduction to all sin and misery: we are called transgressors from the womb: conceived in
Psal;58 3] sin, born in trespasses, stinking, lying in our
Ps 51 5] ordure, till grace sweeten and sanctify us: and even then, when converting grace hath conquered the reigning power of sin, it remains as a mortall Enemy hindring good, promoting evil: it should cost us
Rom 7 24] many a sigh and groan, as it did blessed Paul, oh wretched man that I am, who shall deliver me from the body of this death? if we may and must fast for the out-breakings of sin, much more for the originall, root, and spring of sin: David puts an Ecce upon this above all other sins Psal 51, 5: and some think that thorn in Pauls flesh, was some violent motion to an enormous crime, a
2 Cor 12 7 8] strong propensity to some foul lust and this put him to pain and anguish, as a thorn sticking in his body: for this is the cause of all the sins that ever were committed miserys inflicted and, if there were none else would

drag us down to Eternall torments: its Mr Hildershaws observation, and most true, he that "bringeth
"unto god in the fast, an heart humbled [On Psal 51 5
"only—for some grosse actuall sins that he Psl 28 9
"hath committed but was never humbled for
"the vile corruption of his nature could never feelingly con-
"fesse that to god, nor bewail it before him, hath just cause to
"suspect the truth of his Repentance, and humiliation for sin."
Well then, these are the proper causes and just occasions of a Religious fast both secretly and more publickly and a gracious heart wil be glad to take all opportunitys to humble his soul by fasting:

Chap 6

What are the dutys required before a fast?

Ans: there be 4 dutys preparatory to a solemn day of fasting

1 Propounding to our selves right Ends, in keeping a fast: 1 Negatively we must not fast, 1 therby thinking to pacify gods wrath, or expiate for sin, as Papists doe, as though forbearing meat could make amends for mens surfeiting, or not touching strong drink could expiate for drunkenness, or lying in sack cloth could obtain a pardon for wantones: for what proportion can there be betwixt finite acts and infinite justice? propounding this End doth ipso facto marre the design: the Pharisee thinking by his fasting to attone god, went away without a pardon, but the self-condemning Publican was justifyed, pleading only mercy, despairing of any merit in himself: Luk 18 9-14: 2 merely to satisfy the conscience which else would fawl upon them, and sorely torment and torture them, this fasting would pacify disquiet spirits, that would not let them alone, or be quiet, thus god charged the Jews of old Zech 7 5 When ye fasted and mourned in the fifth and seventh month even those seventy yeares did ye at all fast unto me, even to me? q d was it in obedience to my commands? or with respect to my glory? you know you had low, base Ends in what you did: 3 You must not fast to comply with others, or for fashion-sake, because magistrates command it, the law of the land forbids working on that day, or it is the custom of the country or your Religious neighbours and therfore you

will doe as others doe, and it would a shame to doe otherwise ; or 4 for vainglory, to be seen of men so the Pharisees Mat 6 16 they disfigure their faces that they may appear unto men to fast : that men may admire them, and say, oh see what devout persons these are : so some would put themselves to hard penance to obtain a great repute of sanctity : nor 5 must you fast only from a sensuall carnall feeling of the evils threatened by god or at present inflicted on you. Alas this is but a motion of the sensitive part, like the howling of a dog under a cudgill. Hos 7 14, they have not cryed unto me with their heart when they howled upon their beds : A bruit beast can goe thus far, smarting of misery may force a carnall man to howling, when he is dumb towards god except it be a grumbling complaint agt him : 6 Nor must you fast only to get rid of your burdens that lye upon you and presse you heavily, this is a low design : inconsistent with the frame of an humbled soul no, sth a gracious spirit, let the burden lye on till god have effected his End, rather then it should be taken off unsanctifyed ; But a poor selfish faster aimes at the removall of his pressing load, and when god doth not send present ease he quarrels with god, and sth as they Isai 58 3 wherfore have we fasted and thou seest not, wherfore have we afflicted our soul, and thou takest no knowledg? q d after all our fastings we are as much oppressed as ever, so that our Religious excercise is to little purpose it attaines not our End, the removing of the Affliction: this was all they aimed at : 7 Nor must persons propound that wofull End mentioned Isai 58 4 Behold you fast for strife and debate and to smite with the fist of wickednes : i. e. upon their fasts when they met they fell a quarrelling about their debts and morgages, they kept a fast to get victory over their Enemys : or on that day they had much brawling and brabling with their servants ; whom by law they ought to dismisse, but used them with much cruelty : or to prepare suits against their debtors : whether the words be read, [ye fast strife, and debate] as importing the End for whch they fasted or [ye fast unto strife and debate] as implying the issue and consequent of their fasting all comes to one : All these are wicked Ends proposed in mens designing a fast :

2 Affirmatively there are some right and holy Ends which you must propose to your selves in fasting such as those before mentioned as 1 to get a sense of unworthines of any mercy,

or a crum of bread : 2 to afflict our soules for sin : 3 to make sin more odious to our selves : 4 to affect our hearts with a due sense of gods displeasure ; 5 to quicken our hearts to and in prayer ; 6 for mortifying the flesh ; 7 to fit us for Acts of charity ; these are the Ends that god proposeth to us in our keeping a fast and gods End must be ours :

But in all these there are 4 speciall Ends we must have in our eye in all our Religious Acts, particularly in fasting

1 To glorify god : this must be our supreme design in all our naturall, civil morall or spirituall Acts that god in all things may have glory : All the [1 Cor 10 31
Attributes of god are manifestatively glorifyed [Phi 1 11
in this work, his power, mercy, wisdom, justice, [1 Pet 4 11 :
goodnes, truth and faithfulnes, if duely managed:
mans humiliation is gods glorification : the lower men lye, the higher doe they advance god : now the chief End of man is to glorify god, to debase himself that god may be exalted :

2 To enjoy communion with god : this is the chief End of man the design of scripture-revelation bound up with the glory of god to which every soul ought, [1 Joh 1 3
and every gracious soul will aspire : and doubtles a right fast brings god and his children together, when the devout soul ingageth his heart to ap- [Jer 30 21·
proach unto god, god draws nigh to him : then, [Jam 4 8
then the child of god can freely say, it is good for [Psal 73 28
me to draw nigh to god : oh its never so well with him as when in such extraordinary dutys the facultys of the soul ; and graces of the spirit are acted upon this supreme good he longs for and delights in such heroick Excercises

3 To comply with the Divine pleasure, a good heart cannot but make conscience of obeying gods commands, god speakes by his word, and by his providence : in that day did the Lord god of hosts call to weeping and mourning and to baldnes, and to girding with sack-cloth : Isai 22 12 which way soever the Lord notifys his mind, the devout soul must obey : he must Eccho to gods call, When thou saidest, seek ye my face, my heart said unto thee thy face, Lord [Psal 27 8 :
will I seek : shall the Lord call and I not answer?
god forbid : I dare not but own scripturall, ministeriall, magistraticall, providentiall calls from heaven, for he is my king, I must freely embrace such a motion, for he is my

father : let devil, world, and flesh say what they will to the contrary :

4 To Edify others, and advantage the church and nation : we are not born for ourselves : nor must we fast only for ourselves, for Zions sake I will not hold my peace, and for Jerusalems sake I will not rest, untill the righteousnes therof goe forth as brightnes, and the salvation therof as a lamp that burneth : Isai 62 1 : our cabin is in the ship, our bough is joyned to the tree, our individuall are included in the generall as members in the body, and in our fasting and prayer for the church, we benefit ourselves : suppose ourselves were in a good plight, yet sympathy calls for this duty : we must doe wt good we can : plead for our neighbours familys, our congregations, church and nation, to stand in the gap to keep off imminent judgments or to remove inflicted : this doth nature and Religion teach us : besides by fasting christians may by their example provoke others to solemn religious Excercises : But thus much for the first preparation to a Religious fast, namely, propounding right Ends in our fasting :

2 Pondering the importance of the causes and occasions calling for a fast : this is a necessary preparative for if we be not duely affected with the necessity of the grounds of fasting our spirits will be formall in the work and so
Jer 48 10] bring on our selves a curse for doing the work of god negligently or deceitfully, as, 1 we must be
Jer 44 4] weighted with the abominable evil of sin, as that which gods soul hates, no evil is like it, it is a plague, a poyson, a venom, a superfluity of naughtines, its worse then the drowning or damning of the world : you can never keep a fast, no nor put up a prayer till
1 Kin 8 38 :] you know the plague of your own hearts, yea sin must be laid on your hearts as an insupportable load ; else you will never affiict your soules to purpose: the sense of Israels sins made Ezra rent his garment &c : see Ezra 9 1 2 3 : 2 we must be duely affected with the wrath of god due to us for sin, and the judgments that attend that wrath : David sth, my flesh trembleth for fear of thee, and I am afraid of thy judgments, Psal 119 120 : this made Moses excite Aaron to goe quickly and make an Attonement for them for, sth he, there is wrath gone out from the Lord, the plague is begun, Num 16 46 : the nearnes and dreadfulnes of gods

wrath should and will ingage us to the work and weight our spirits for the work of fasting : but who knoweth the power of gods Anger ? yet according to the [Psal 90 11 apprehensions our soules have therof so will be our humiliation in our work of fasting : 3 we must before-hand work upon our hearts the excellency of gods mercy and our indispensable necessity therof : and mercy must be in our eye not merit in our fastings, Dan 9 8 9 O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face—to the Lord our god belong mercys and forgivenesses—prepare to fill your mouths with Arguments drawn from gods mercy, the greatnes, freenes, sweetnes therof, gods faithfulnes, compassion to poor creatures and countrys in misery : 4 consider, how just and righteous god is, if he execute judgmt upon us, and deny mercy to us, so Daniel 9 7 O Lord righteousnes belongeth to thee but unto us confusion of faces : indeed we deserve nothing but condemnation, but in the name and merits of Christ our only Advocate, that intercedes for us at gods right hand we will make bold to keep a solemn fast : thus you must ingage and incourage yourselves unto and in the work before-hand :

3 You must prepare your selves for a fast by withdrawing yourselves for a season from all worldly company and busines the night or day before : I know it is disputed when a Religious fast must begin, and how long it must continue, in the old law it was observed from evening to [Lev 23 32 evening, as the Sabboth, but however, whether that rule bind us or no, the morall equity of the thing doth oblige us to spend some time in dutys preparatory to such an extraordinary occasion, 1 for an avocation of our spirits from all diversions, and distractions, wherby the mind being encumbered with many things is [Luk 10 40 41 rendered uncapable of minding the one thing needfull : hence sth Solomon Pro 18 1 through desire a man having separated himself seeketh and intermedleth with all wisdom this is necessary in all other Acts much more in this : 2 Solitarines is a posture and state fit for a solemn mourning—Jer 13 17 my soul shall weep in secret places for your pride : so Peter is said to goe out (i. e. withdraw himself into solitarines) and wept bitterly. [Mat 26 75 and of dejected spirits, its said he sitteth alone [Lam 3 28 29 and keepeth silence : and he that would be

serious in this work must doe so either in it or before it that he may compose himself to this affaire : 3 this solitary recesse is fittest to cast up our accounts, examine our consciences, ransack our conversations and find out sins to be confessed : self-knowledg leads to sin-acknowledgment : 1 Kin 8 47 if they shall bethink themselves, [marg if they shall bring it back to their hearts] q d when once sin is practised, it comes from their hearts and goes with a streight line forward, but when men repent, they bring it back again upon their consciences with sinking weight till eased by Christ applyed by faith to their soules : and such a work as this is done in solitarines where a man may best think on his ways and return to himself (as the prodigal) that he may return to his father. And oh how usefull is this self-reflexion in order to a fast ! 4 once more, this solitarines is of great use to inable us to stirre up our selves to take hold of god, i. e. to rouze up our own hearts, knit our minds to god, fix our wills and affections on him, to draw forth our graces, faith, love, repentance holy desires, and breathings of soul after god, ingaging ourselves in covenant with god that in the work itself we may have communion with god through Christ :

Psal 119 59 60] Luk 15 17 18] Isai 64 7]

4 The last preparatory for a fast consists not so much in a particular Act, as in a constant generall course and habit of practicall holines, which consists in these 4 things

1 A principle of spirituall life, and a being in a state of grace : for Alas a carnall heart is not fit for a spiritual fast : till the soul be converted and renewed, it cannot doe any good work, for he is dead in trespasses, alienated from the life of godlines, a stranger to ordinary much more to extraordinary dutys : the carnall mind is enmity against god : graceles sinners have no true rellish for wt concernes a fast : its a paradox to him : oh therfore, try your state, prove yourselves, examin whether, Christ be in you, and you be in Christ : else you have no heart nor might for this work

Eph 2 1] 4 18 :] Rom 8 7] Gal 6 4] 2 Cor 13 5 :]

2 You must not only have a principle of grace, but a good measure and degree of saving grace, you must arrive to a maturity and considerable progress in grace, so sth our saviour, when he excuseth his disciples for their not fasting, by a double

similitude, of men putting new cloth to an old garment and new wine into old bottles, Mat 9 14—17 : q d they are yet but young schollers not so fit for hard lessons young fresh-water souldiers not fit for such hard service, my disciples are but tyrones, new converts, they must be trained up gradually to that hard task, when they are capable they shall have fasting enough : if I should put them to hard excercises it might daunt and discourage them and force them back : god loves to suit the burden to the back, [1 Cor 10 13 not trying or tempting them in service or suffering above what they are able : O labour for much grace : grow in grace : make it your busines as its sd of the crocodile [quam diu vivet, crescit] as long as he lives he grows, he never reacheth the full pitch in this world, for a perfect man, is called the measure of [Eph 4 13 the stature of the fulnes of Christ ; which wil not be here : yet the stronger the Christian is, the fitter he is for fasting.

3 You must beg the Assistance of the holy spirit, without which you will make nothing of any duty, its the spirit that helpes our infirmitys, i. e. it takes hold over anent the Christian when the weight he carrys is too heavy for him, so the word (Greek) signifies, Rom 8 26 : Alas, any work of Religion will be too hard for us, (specially this of fasting,) except the holy ghost joyn in with us : therfore when you are to keep a fast, invoke the gracious assistance of the holy spirit : say as the church, Awake, o north wind, and come thou south blow upon my garden that the spices thereof [Song 4 16 may flow out. Lord awake my sleepy conscience, bow this stubborn will, rouse my chill affections, quicken and excite my weak graces, let my lamp be burning and shining, my whole soul ingaged in this work, that I may have sweet communion with thyself.

4 You must descard and renounce all sin : you must search out all sin, that you may confesse them, the sins of the nation congregation, family, and your own soules, say as Job how many are mine iniquitys and sins make me to know my transgressions and my sin : for this [Job 13 23 End get a catalogue of sins before-hand, at least of the kinds of sin, though you can never number the Acts of Sin, that you may spread this inditement before the Lord :

But be sure you be resolved to part with all sin,
Psal 26 6] or else you mock god in your fasting, wash your hands in innocency, then compasse gods Altar: first lay down thy armes, then treat with god: sue out a divorce betwixt sin and thy soul, I am purposed, sth
Psal. 17 3] David, that my mouth shall not transgresse,
Isai. 30 22] say of sin, get thee hence, what have I to doe
Hos. 14 8] with idols? its nothing but sin that separates
Isai. 59 2] betwixt god and me, oh that my heart were this day separated from it: come Lord break this cursed league, that my heart may be joyned to thee: this is a good preparative to every duty Job 11 13 14 if thou prepare thine hart, and stretch out thine hands towards him, if iniquity be in thine hand, put it far away, and let not wickednes dwell in thy Tabernacles for then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot, yea thou shalt be stedfast and shalt not fear

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Chap 7

What are the dutys on a fast-day

The 9th head propounded is to inquire, what are the main Essentiall dutys required on a solemn day of fasting?

Now the great Dutys required of such as keep a fast in the work are these

1 Afflicting the soul, Lev 16 29 31—you shall afflict your soules: yea tis said Lev 32 29 whatsoever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from among his people: this word imports a solemn mourning and humiliation for sin: thus our saviour intimates that the work of a fast is mourning Mat 9 13 with Mark 2 19 its not only afflicting of the soul, but body also, for it imports the humbling of the whole person, the soul with contrition, the body with outward actions as signs and means of internall sorrow, upon this solemn day persons are to call their sins to remembrance, be greatly grieved for offending god, rent their
Joel 2 13] hearts and not (only) their garments, torture, vex, perplex their spirits as its said of righteous Lot,
2 Pet 2 8] that he vexed his righteous soul from day to day, or as the word is, he bastinadoed his soul [Greek] he took the whip of the law and scourged his soul till it bled, for his own and others sin: this soul-trouble is wholesom and

is attended with carefulnes, fear, indignation, zeal, revenge: and produceth repentance to salvation, not to be repented of: And indeed thats no fast thats not attended with this self-afflicting humiliation: god puts an Ecce upon that mock-fast mentioned Isai 58 3 Behold in the day of your fast, you find pleasure, i. e. in stead of griping pain, for sin which they should have, they please themselves in speculative wickednes, when they are forced to forbear the outward acts of sin: oh abominable hypocrisy! [2 Cor 7 10 11

2 Confessing sin, thus did good Ezra ch 9 6 Oh my god, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my god, for our iniquitys are increased over our heads, and our trespasse is grown up unto the heavens, thus he goes on aggravating his peoples sin: so doth Nehemiah, and Daniel, justifying god condemning themselves, as its fit men should in the day of their fast Confession of sin is at all times a duty, but especially now, thus Aaron was to lay both his hands on the head of the live-goat, and confesse over him all the iniquitys of the children of Israel, &c.: now hold up your black and bloody hand at the bar of god, read over the Bill of inditement, be witnesses, jury, judg, Executioner against your selves, and whatever the Lord doe with us, yet say the Lord is righteous, as the king and princes of Israel did 2 Chron 12 6: and you see there it had a good issue: thus did they 1 Sam 7 6—they fasted and said there, we have sinned against the Lord: and if you will not confesse your guilt, what will you doe? when guilt flys in your face, and conscience condemns you? [Neh 9 2 [Dan 9 4 [Lev 16 21

3 Deprecating gods wrath and supplicating for pardon and mercy this is the proper work of a fast and therfore it is called a day of Attonement, because the high priest by prayer and appointed sacrifices did mediate for himself and the people, and sought of god a pardon and reconciliation: therfore in the gospel prayer and fasting are put together: and Nehemiah sth, when I heard these words I sate down and wept, and mourned ceartain dayes, and fasted and prayed before the god of heaven: thus god appoints the priests to say—spare thy people O Lord, [Lev 16 30 33 [Mat 17 21: [Neh 1 4 [Joel 2 17

and give not thy heritage to reproach: yea
Jonah 3 8] the heathen king of Nineveh bids them cry mightily unto god: united prayers in a solemn fast are very prevalent: this god expects, this god accepts, when offered up by faith in a mediator according to gods will by the assistance of his spirit: we may both take instruction and incouragement from Daniel, in his affectionate prayer, answered immediately, who thus concludes his
Dan 9 16 19 20] fast day supplication, O Lord hear, O Lord forgive, O Lord hearken and doe deferre not for thine own sake, oh my god; for thy city and thy people are called by thy name:

4 Asking councel of the Lord, wt course is fit to be taken in dark and dubious cases: this also is the proper work of a fast: this was the course, that the tribes of Israel took in their war against Benjamin Judg 20 23 the children of Israel went up and wept before the Lord untill even, and asked councel of the Lord &c: they had not taken this course before, but now they are taught by this disappointment, to fast, and be serious in their undertaking, to consult the Lord of hosts, and not to goe without his warrant and order: thus did Ezra in a like case, ch 8 21 then I proclaimed a fast at the river Ahava, that we might afflict our selves before our god, to seek of him a right way for us, and for our little ones and for all our substance: for so it is in publick, domestical, and personall concerns, that gods own children are sore puzzled and hard put to't, and no creature can resolve them but the omniscient Jehovah, and god doth it: thus did Captain Joshua, when meeting with a repulse at Ai, he
Josh 7 6-9] rent his cloathes—fell to the earth upon his face before the Ark of the Lord untill the even-tide—expostulates the case with the Lord, who resolves this weighty case of conscience, tells him of the sin, the remedy, and all was set right again: and indeed no course like this in such hard and hazardous cases:

5 Reading the scriptures, and attending therto is a fit ordinance upon a day of fasting, likewise preaching the word, and diligent hearing scriptures opened and applyed is both exciting and directing, in order to our conviction, humiliation, and Reformation it is fit such as design to fast and humble their souls before god should look themselves in the glasse of

gods word, and see these foul spots in their faces to make them ashamed and blush ; thus they did in that solemn fast in Neh 9 3 they stood up in their places and read in the book of the Lord their god, one fourth part of the day, and another fourth part they confessed and worshipped the Lord their god : that this was a fast see ver 1 : yea tis said ch 8 8 they read in the book of the law distinctly, and gave the sense and caused them to understand the reading, and ver 2—All that could hear with understanding : so then it becomes people to search the scriptures, consider wt is pertinent, apply them to themselves, know wt sins god condemnes, what dutys he commands, meditating on the word, comparing our thoughts, words, deeds with the rule : which will furnish us with matter of humiliation : thus the prophet Jeremiah ordered Baruch to read his prophetick Roll on the fasting-day in the eares of the people for their conviction, which he did, see Jer 36 4-10 :

6 Covenanting with god, Entring a solemn ingagement to be the Lords by forsaking sin, cleaving to the Lord in compliance with his revealed will : this is one main work at a fast : thus Shechaniah councels, upon the peoples weeping very sore, to make a covenant with god to put away the strange wives—the people complyed saying with a loud voyce as thou hast said, so must we doe : and they gave their hands that they would put away their wives, see Ezra 10 2 12 19 : Oh blessed fast ! when men bind themselves fast to the Lord, in a solemn vow, to cast away what separates betwixt god and them and likewise bind themselves to closer obedience to morall and positive institutions : this also was the case of the good governour Nehemiah and the people with him, after their fasting, Neh 9 38 and because of all this we make a sure covenant and write it, and our princes, Levites, and priests seal unto it ; the person, form, matter, and manner of this covenanting is described in ch 10 : we have severall instances in scripture of such covenanting in the days of Asa and Josiah the good kings of Judah : But doubtles, ingaging our selves in covenant is a work very proper to a fast : suppose we had ingaged our selves unto god in covenant before, yet this is a season for actuall renewing thereof, and tying stronger knots, with deliberate reasonings of the mind, and resolute determination of the will, and impregnable motions of the whole

[2 Chron 15 14
[ch 34 31

soul thus they did in Asa days, for they entred into a covenant to seek the Lord god of their fathers, with all their heart and with all their soul : 2 Chron. 15 12 :

7 Actuall Reformation : a solemne beginning to reform whats amisse thus Joshua and the people stoned Achan, Asa deposed Maachah for her Idolatry, cut down her idol, Josiah kept a regular passeover, Nehemiah reformes abuses, especially that of sabboth-breaking : and indeed what signifyes a fasting from meat, without abstaining from sin ? god accounts that no fast to forbear things lawfull, when men commit things sinfull : he will have men to loose the Bonds of wickednes as wel as practice this part of Religiousnes, else tis abominable hypocrisy : will men pretend friendship with god, and yet strike at him ? if they regard iniquity in their hearts, will god hear their prayer ? shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with god ? thus god plainly declares Jer 14 10 11 12— they have loved to wander, they have not refrained their feet— he addes when they fast, I will not hear their cry : this is like the pharisaicall mock-fast, who devoured widows houses and for a pretence made long prayers, to make religion a stalking-horse to carry on wicked designes, or meerly to strengthen a faction or party, or to obtain a victory over a private Enemy, these are low ends, self-contradicting acts, when men pul down with their hands, what they pretend to build with their tongues : this never ends well : when Israel cryed to the Lord confessed their sins, god sd I will deliver you no more, but when they put away the strange gods, and served the Lord, then his soul was grieved for the misery of Israel, and then he sent them not only deliverance, but victory. Judg 10 10—16 :

Josh 7 25]
2 Chron 15 16]
ch 35 1st]
Neh 13]

Isai 58 4 6]

Psal 66 18]
94 20]

Mat 23 14]

8 Excercise of charity, mercy, liberality, this also is a necessary requisite in a fast : and indeed god seemes to insist chiefly upon this in that negative and positive description of a right fast, Isai 58 3 1 sth he in the day of your fast you exact all your labours q d your servants are not eased at all but you make them inne their work by exacting the same work from them when they should sleep or recreate themselves yea 2 you smite with the fist of wickednes, you deal vigorously and inju-

riously with your servants or debtors, you abase and abuse your inferiour neighbours, when you have them at advantage, and grind the faces of the poor, beating them down in the prices of their labour or commodity: Youl say what then are the positive acts of charity required in a fast? he Answers, v 6 1 to loose the Bands of wickednes, i e the cruel obligations of usury and oppression 2 to undoe the heavy burdens, i e to remit those bundles of writings as Bills, bonds, mortgages, Acknowledgments, which rich usurers had lying by them: 3 to let the oppressed goe free, i e prisoners for debts that are not able to pay, and under cruel usage by severe taskmasters: 4 that you break every yoke whatsoever is grievous and burdensome, as god sth he did, [Lev. 26 13 I have broken the Bonds of your yoke, and made you goe upright thus would god have them doe, i e break the stick or cord that holds both ends of the yoke on the neck, thus for taking off oppressions: 2 god also requires some positive Acts of charity upon a fast, such as these, 1 Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, to divide, or break into parts for they of old made their loaves with cuts or clefts, in baking them, for more expeditious distribution: none were obliged to give all, so none is exempted from giving some: 2 that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house, this and Heb 13 2 agree, be not forgetfull to entertain strangers, this presseth hospitality, inviting fugitives for Religion, or oppressed, ejected by the rage of cruel [Heb 11 37 38 tyrants, that are helples, and have no cear-tain dwelling place: 3 when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him, those that have no cloaths, or but rags that will scarce cover them, or secure them from cold by night or by day, and so was blessed Paul [1 Cor 4 11 and the Apostles: in this case if thou have two coates give him one: 4 And that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh, i e not only thy near Relations, but mankind, make not excuses and evasions, that thou hast it not, or knowest not wt thou may need thyself, or that the poor are naught, these Apologys are but the [Isai 32 7 instruments of the cruel: but if thou hast not a peny to draw out of thy purse, yet thou must draw out thy soul to the hungry, ver 10: god forbid that any pretending Religion or keeping fasts should shut [1 Joh 3 17

up his bowels of compassion from the indigent and so declare that he hath not the love of god in him: yea thou must give not so much out of necessity but choyce, not because thou must but because thou wilt give, for god loves
2 Cor 9 7] a chearfull as well as bountifull giver: and perhaps this is one design god hath in your fasting that you may spare somthing for such charitable uses, that the loynes of the poor may blesse you: however, its fit that you lay out something for god upon this occasion

Thus much for the dutys required on a fast-day:

Chap 8

What dutys are to be performed after a fast:

The 10th and last head propounded is what dutys are required of us after a fast? they are these

1 Maintaining a due sense upon our spirits of what we have been doing: its not fit we should immediately
Psal 85 8] return to vain thoughts, carnal words or worldly actions: if god have spoken peace, let not us return again to folly: oh lose not the impression you have had from god on your solemn fasts: let not your spirits cool, or grow chill now satan will be most busy with you, this pirate makes at a best laden ship, we are most in danger of colds and surfeits after warmest heatings: now take heed of losing the vigour of your spirits, endeavour, if possible, to keep your hearts still wound up: slack not your motions in heavens road, pray over that notable petition of holy David, 1 Chron 29 18 O Lord god of Abraham Isaac and Israel our fathers, keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the hearts of thy people, and prepare their heart unto thee: observe it a lively frame in one duty is an excellent preparative for another: Oh let not down your walk when the duty is over: what a blessed thing were it if in this sense the vintage did reach to the harvest, that the sweet sense and savour of one duty might extend to another:

2 Reflecting upon the manner of managing the day and duty of fasting: how was my soul carryed out to god? did I find my heart inlarged in confessing sin, pleading with god? what meltings of spirit did I find, what breathings after god? if my heart was shut up dead, distracted, I have cause to keep

another day of humiliation to lament the sins of my last: woe is me, will god accept such a fast? may he not justly reject both me and my dutys? I need a pardon of the iniquitys of my holy things: for alas I am as [Exod 28 38
an unclean thing, and all my righteousnesses are [Isai 64 6
as filthy rags: I am faulty and defective in all I doe, Lord humble and pardon me, in my short-comings: if god have in any measure helped my heart I will be thankfull, and look on it as a token for good, [Psal 86 17
who knows but god will answer?

3 Willingnes to continue in the work: its true the flesh is weak and apt to grow weary in the duty, but thou must not grow weary of it, for if thou be [Mat 26 41
truely gracious, thy spirit is willing, and could wish it might continue longer: what a warm spirit was there in the people of Israel in Hezekiahs days, who, when they had kept seven days, the whole Assembly took councel to keep other seaven dayes: 2 Chron 30 22 23: Oh happy soules that were unwearied in the work of god: not that we can doe any workes of supererogation (for thats no obedience thats beyond a command, and when we have done all we are unprofitable servants) but acknowledg our selves still short, breathing after more communion with god: the good soul spys some wants still hath somthing to say to his god: god forbid that I should say, when will the new moon be [Amos 8 5
gone that we may sell corn? or as the hypocrites [Mal 1 13
in Malachi, say, what a wearines is it! no, no, this fasting, is soul-feasting its the sweetest recreation I have, oh that I could continue it!

4 Carrying the advantage of a fast to our Relations; and neighbours telling them how [Psal 73 28
good it is to draw nigh to god, inviting them to [34 8
taste and see how good god is, practically expressing the virtue and fruits of fasting and prayer: oh what a brave thing is when men shall see by your carriages that you have been with Jesus! when they shall behold your faces shine after your conversing with god in the mount: that your friends may say we will go with you for [Zech 8 23
we have heard that god is with you: let it appear that you have been amongst perfumes, while you smell thereof, for this is attractive, as tis sd Because of the savour of thy

good oyntments, thy name is as oyntment poured
Song 1 3] forth, therefore do the virgins love thee : the more you have got of god in duty, the more amiable will you render dutys to others : oh friends, doe not open the mouths of others, and sadden godly mens hearts, and shame their faces while carnall persons say, these are your fasters, but are very hypocrites and Satans factors, we will be none of this precise crew : and thus by your means fasting is made a Ridicule : see to't that you honour god, credit religion, profit men by your fasting :

5 Observing what Answers god gives in of your fasting and prayer, that god may have glory, your own souls may have the comfort : we lose much for want of observing
1 Sam 7 12] Answers of prayer : Oh how many Eben-ezers might we have set up had we recorded Experi-
Est 9 31] ments ! the Jews observed the feast of Purim,— which contained the matters of the fastings and
2 Chron 20] their crys : your vally of Bacah, weeping hath
3 26 been oft turned into Berachach : see into both valleys, and trust god for the future in new straits : hath, doth, and will is the usuall scripture-logick : for god is the same at all times, in all turnes : Oh reflect on what god hath done in you, for you, by you, lay it up for a time of need, plead it with god as David often, Hear me when I call, oh god of my righteousnes, thou hast inlarged me
Psal 4 1] when I was in distresse, have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer : thus you may sing of mercy and judgment ; yet ordinarily bitter sorrow precedes joy and gratitude : Jewish writers say that the Jews were wont to observe the first day of Purim with fasting and crying ; and the rest with feasting and thanksgiving :
Psal 126 5 6] thats a generall maxim, they that sow in teares shall reap in joy : observe both :

6 Performing vows : this is your great busines after a fast, both before and after the Lord heares you ; the
Psal 76 11] text saith, vow and pay unto the Lord your god : persons ordinarily make vows to god in the day of their distresse, but as often forget them in their inlargement : Rich Jacob forgot what
Gen 28 20, with] poor Jacob vowed till god put him in
35 1 : mind : but tis a most disingenuous thing

to make solemn vows in danger, and fasting days and cast them by, Solomon sth better it is thou shouldest not vow then that thou shouldest vow and not pay : Eccl 5 5 : yet it is your duty to vow, yea every fast doth comprehend an implicit vow, if not an explicit : every prayer, and Religious act ingageth you to god if duely managed : thy vows are upon me, saith David, and so must every god- [Psal 56 12 fearing soul say, and we must be dayly paying them. But in some weighty cases we make solemn vows, and in that case he saith unto thee [Psal 65 1 shall the vow be performed, some singular vow : in that case you must resolve with that holy man, Psal 66 13 14 I will goe into thy house with burnt-offerings, I will pay thee my vows wch my lips have uttered, and my mouth hath spoken when I was in trouble : so doe you this speedily, let it not wear off gradually :

7 Expecting acceptance only upon the account of Christs merits and mediation : alas its not our prayers teares, fasting, groaning, reforming excercising grace, confessing sin, or Almes-giving that can clear the score, take off guilt, or procure any favour, we are accepted only [Eph. 1 6 in the beloved, by Jesus Christ alone we receive [Rom. 5 1 the Attonement : if you could obey like an Angel, fast from all sin, as well as from meat, weep away all the moysture of your bodys and lye perpetually in dust and ashes or on your knees, it could never make god amends for the least sin : if you trust to rest upon your fasting, you spoil all : you think god is well pleased when you are inlarged : Be it known to you, that god is no otherwise pleased with you but in the beloved : your best suit of [Mat 3 17 inherent righteousnes will not bring you off before god : for it is not adæquate to infinit justice : and nothing but Christs undertakings (which are infinite as he is god) can answer the demands of justice and bring in Everlasting Righteousnes : A learned man ob- [Dr. Willet serves that in the Jews solemn fast, three dutys Hexapl were required, 1 Abstinence from work, 2 Af- Lev 23 flicting their soules : 3 offering sacrifice, i. e. fol 582 sin-offerings, meat-offering : this imports that all their self-humblings avail not without Christ the true propitiatory sacrifice, on the crosse, and our Advocate in heaven ;

without this Expiation no acceptation in our best humiliations: Heb 10 19 22 : 1 Joh 2 2 : Rev 8 5 :

Chap 9

Some consectarys from the nature of a fast, 1 Conviction

Having thus largely handled this point of fasting, I shall briefly apply it in some consequences

1 How unreasonable is it that some persons in judgment and practice are against all fasts: this conceit proceeds from Atheism or licentiousnes: Besides the fasts of gods appointment, the Jews kept many fasts Zech 7 3 5 : 8 19 : in the fourth month when the city was broken up: in the fifth for the dissolution of the temple, in the seventh for the slaughter of Gedaliah: in the tenth when the city began to be besieged: see how liberall the Jews were in keeping fasts, though of their own contriving how doth this shame pretended Christians, who are so slack and backward in appointing and observing fasts, though about the most important occasions: sin doth greatly abound, god is angry, judgments threatened, the lion hath roared who will not fear? yea I find even the Turks have their fast Ramadam, such as it is, vid Johan Hoornbeck summa controv De Mukani Mœdismo lib 3 p 146: And shall not Christians fast? shall Jews, Turkes, yea pagans, as the king of Nineveh rise up in judgment against us? Isai 22 12 13 14 when god calls to fasting and men feast surely sth god this iniquity shall not be purged from you till you dye, thats never: yea god hath threatened that whatsoever soul shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from among his people: i. e. either by the hand of the magistrate, or by the immediate hand of god: what became of Zimri and Cosbi that in a daring manner did confront Moses and Israel who were weeping before the door of the tabernacle? Numb 23 6 7 8; and what shall we say of those that when Autority enjoyns a fast, to humble one souls for sin, and deprecate gods wrath instead of fasting goe to a tavern or Alehouse, and there swill, swear, and Hector agt gods servants, that are humbling their soules for their sins and pleading with god for mercy to themselves and nation, and their very bitter adversarys? Oh the wonderful patience of the great god!

Amos 3 8]

Lev 23 29]

how justly might god strike them dead, yea into hell! but his patience hath bounds, and will have an End, their judgment, of a long time sleeps not, their damnation slumbereth not: god can deal with them and it will be an heavy doom: they that would not fast here from their delicious fare and delicate liquor, shall not have a drop of water to cool their flaming tongue: they that laugh now shall then mourn and weep: such as would not afflict their souls here shall weep and howl for the miserys coming or come upon them: Oh how much better were it to fast all our dayes in sackcloth and ashes then to lye roaring in hell-torments for ever! how glad would these infernal caitiffs be to change places and cases with the most mournful saint on earth whom they were wont to scorn: stay a little while and you shall perceive a vast difference betwixt mourners here and mourners in the other world Isai 65 12 13 14 15: [2 Pet 2 3 [Luk 16 24 16 25 [Jam 5 1

As for that question [whether it be lawfull to observe stated times of fasting, imposed by others without extraordinary occasions, particularly Lent?] I refer the decision of it to the incomparable profound Divine Mr Baxter, Direct: Cas: Cons. fol 865: But doubtles there are calls from god and men, and solemn occasions to set time apart for fasting and solemn mourning, and some have found all the four sorts of fasting in that text Zech 12 12 13 14 viz, 1 publick, the whole land shall mourn i e a nationall church: 2 familys together, some joyning with the family, wch may be called congregationall fast, as Levis tribe: 3 onely domesticall, particular familys apart as Esther and her maids: 4 personall or secret, they apart, and their wives apart. But ceartainly its a great sin when god calls to it to neglect, or slight it, not to leave worldly work or pleasures not to take fit opportunitys for it, in accounting them precise hypocrites that use it, and being without all sense of sin or mourning for a totall omission: [Mr Durham on comty pag 98

2 Its a sad thing to mock god with an unsuitable fast, if this before described be a scripturall fast, then it is to be feared there are few scripturall fasts observed amongst us, if we have respect to the dispositions required in fasters the preparations to the work, the essentiall parts of it, the due Ends required in fasting, and consequences of it: theres cause of humiliation:

vid Synop pur:] Theol Dr Neein et jejun: Disp 37 p 488

Not to say any thing of popish fasts wherin they place merit, and by wch they satisfy for offences, but Even Protestants may be, have been, deeply guilty of grievous offences in their fastings, I cannot insist on particulars you may find 12 faults before fasting 20 in the duty, and 13 after its over in Mr Durham on comts pag 99 101: to which I must referre you:

As for carnall men, its no wonder they keep carnall fasts, for wt ever they doe it is from a principle of carnality, and for carnall Ends, for vainglory, to be seen of men, a meer pharisaicall mock-fast, but they shall know at last that

Gal 6 7] god will not be mocked, if men make an image to themselves in gods worship, god will pull it down, and them with it: Alas, when god begins to examin, is this such a fast that I have chosen? and lay it home to sinners consciences, how can they answer it? Yea the best of us may be ashamed of our fasts: how defective are we in our preparations, performances and profitablenes therin! We may see the reason by the Effects therof why god takes so little notice of us, and denys successe of our prayers, we come late to them, put off god with three or four houres in stead of a day, we are dull, drowzy distracted and weary in the work glad when its over, and return afresh to our worldly occasions, its well, if not to gratify our appetites again: nay its well if some return not again into folly and sinfull courses at least into idle, frivolous, impertinent discourses, little edifying, often unsavoury, how rarely doe Christians keep the due sense and savour of what they have been about, or whom they have been with! we quickly lose the impressions we have had in such a duty, and if our hearts have been wound up to god, they presently drop

Isai 58 5] down again: god saith, is it such a fast that I have chosen, a day for a man to afflict his soul? is it to bow down his head as a bulrush, which in a wet day stoops, but in a sun-shine day perks up again, or as moved by the wind, boweth itself down, waving to and fro in a kind of circular motion (as the word signifys) in uncertain inconstant feames,

Hos 6 9] like the baliance of a clock, or as a morning cloud or early dew, so that god seemes as if he knew not what to make of us, or what to doe with us:

But the worst is, our hearts are not duely humbled upon

our fast days, so that it may be truely said of the professors of England as of Israel of old, Jer 44 10, they are not humbled even unto this day, neither have they feared, nor walked in my law, &c. Wt! not humbled under such dreadfull Alarums, and astonishing judgments! what! not humbled in such dayes and dutys of fasting and humiliation! Oh what will become of us? a [Lord have mercy upon us] may be writ on Englands gates: surely greater plagues are behind, god will either bend us or break us: may we not think he is saying, Behold I will melt them and try them for how shall I doe for the daughter of my people? what other course can I take to humble them, but severely to afflict them, that they may bemoan themselves, cry unto me, and tremble at my footstool in good earnest, that I may doe them good in the latter End: there have been other gast dayes of fasting in England in former times then now there is, and then god was upon the road of mercy to us: may we not think god will reduce us into former straits that he may raise in us ancient frames? and will not this be a mercy, rather then to be left in the dregs of security! Oh for the primitive zeal of the saints in foregoing ages! alas, new opinions, pride in gifts, differences about small matters, have allmost eaten out the life of Religion: I look upon that church or person to be in a declining condition thats indifferent in solemn fasting, publick or private, or secret: The devil and a naughty heart will find objections enow against it, or distractions too too many in it, if we allow ourselves to comply with them: [Jer 9 7 [Deut 8 16

Chap 10

An Exhortation to fasting: Encouragements therin

I shall wind up all in a few words to excite us to this solemn work of fasting, humiliation, and prayer, and I cannot doe it better then in the words of the Apostle, James 4 9 10 Be afflicted and mourn and weep, let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heavines, humble your selves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up: a solid interpreter gives us three Reasons, why the Apostle useth so many words to one purpose, viz 1 Because its an hard duty, and needeth much inforcement, 2 because its necessary, those that wil be [Dr Manlv. in loc:

Christians must look to mourn: 3 to shew that we must continue and persevere it it: Consider 1 you little know, except you have tryed it, how much reall comfort a Christian hath in a well-kept fast, a stranger intermeddles not with
Pro 14 10] his joy, theres more reall pleasure in holy fasting then in the worlds feasting, the sun shineth oft when it raineth: theres joy in the saints heart, while theres teares in their eyes: planctus lugentium are sweeter then plausus theatrorum, saddest dutys are sweeter then greatest triumphs:

2 This mourning produceth greatest joys: they
Psal 126] that sow in teares reap in joy: its like the pangs
Joh 16 21] of a child-bearing woman that ends in joy: out of these salt waters, sth our god breweth the wine of consolation: god will wipe your teares from your eyes, and lift up your drooping heads: its the observation of an Ancient, that the greatest mourner in Israel was the sweetest singer in
Mat 5 4] Israel: Blessed are you that mourn, for you shal be comforted, both in this and in the other world:

3 This fasting mendeth the frame of the heart, by the sadnes of the countenance the heart is made better,
Eccl 7 3] tis bitter physick, but it produceth health: holy teares are the spunge of sin: an hard heart must be soaked and a filthy heart must be washed in this water: we are most considerate when we are most pensive: it may be some of the Ancients have used Hyperboles in this case, who tell us, that it mortifyeth the body, quencheth lust, kindles devotion, that fasting refines the understanding, subdues the will, sublimates the soul; it is, (say they) the handmaid of prayer the house of meditation &c. but no doubt Christians will find it of great use if rightly managed:

4 Such, if any, shall be secured in the day of common calamity: set a mark, sth god, on the foreheads
Ezek 9 4 6] of the men that sigh, and that cry for all the abominations done in the midst therof: we dare not now be peremptory for a totall exemption but these are most likely to be the remnant saved, these doves
Ezek 7 16] of the valleys, that mourn for their iniquity
Isai 26 20] usually doe escape: god often takes these his people into his chambers: therfore I say to you as the prophet Zeph 21 23 gather yourselves together (i e for

this end to fast and pray) seek ye the Lord—it may be you shall be hid in the day of the Lords anger: nay who knows but you may be the innocent, that shall [Job 22 30 deliver the Island, the poor wise men that may deliver the city: I am sure such wisdom is better [Eccl 9 14 then weapons of warre: try this course: 15 16

obj 1 You'l say, alas what is this afflicting [1 Tim 4 8 the body by fasting, for bodily excercise profits little:

I Ans 1 we mean the souls acting as the bodys companion in this fasting, both must be imployed

Yet 2 it sth not, it availes nothing at all, but it profiteth [Greek] for a little, it goes but a little way some tendency it hath to the subduing of the flesh, and is a sign and effect of heart humiliation, yea as a mean:

3 this must not be taken as absolutely and independently considered, but relatively, and as being a condition to which god hath made gracious promises, as 2 Chron 7 14: so that if it be done in a due manner, there is hopes of acceptance:

2 obj: But I have fasted and prayd for such and such, and they mock me, yea for the nation, and doe no good:

Ans 1, you must not judg of the benefit at present, your seed may lye long under the clods, yet spring up, you must wait gods time:

2 You are not worthy to be called Christians, if you be jeared out of duty by scoffing Ishmaels, you can expect no other from them: David himself [Psal 69 10 became a reproach and a proverb for his fasting, 11 12 can you expect better entertainment?

3 if it doe no good to your ill-willed neighbours or to the nation, yet it will doe you good, David sth they rewarded me evil for good—yea I humbled [Psal 35 12 my soul with fasting, and my prayer returned into 13 14 mine own bosom: I know theres different interpretations of that phrase, but whether it be a proposition, it shal, or a prayer, let it return, i e let me have the same mercy I beg for them: it comes all to one: his fasting will be to his own advantage:

3 objec: Alas I fast poorly, weakly, distractly, god will not own me:

I answer 1 dost thou expect to be altogether free from defects and sinfull imperfections in thy best dutys? surely

thou canst not expect it, god loves to keep us humble by leaving these Cananites in the land :

2 our Lord Jesus sd to his sleeping disciples, Mat 26 41] for their excuse and vindication, the spirit indeed is willing but the flesh is weak : he knows our frame, and looks first at the willing mind, and takes it well that you are troubled you can doe no better :

But 3 our blessed Jesus makes up all defects by his prevailing intercession act faith on Christ, retain him as you advocate and fear not your entertainment : study Zech 3 1 2 3 Bring him in your armes :

4 obj : Alas I have not been accustomed to this duty, and know not how to goe about it :

Ans 1 It becomes you to study the nature, manner, uses, Ends of a fast, and lament thy neglect of it this long, beg a pardon for thy ignorance and omission :

2 see to it that thy soul be indeed savingly converted to god, otherwise thou wilt be lame and heartles in this important duty, nor canst thou well manage it without some considerable degree of grace

3 But study thy sins, snares, wants, weaknesses, the particular temptations thou art most incident to, and as thou wilt discover a necessity of fasting, so it will help thee to true grounds, matter, and manner of fasting :

4 But be sure thou fall down on thy knees, and pray affectionately to the Lord to help thee in thy ordinary and extraordinary dutys, to gods glory and thine own edification and the good of the church :

Thus I have dispatcht this weighty subject, I pray god it attain its end, that all gods people may more resolutely and conscientiously set about this weighty work, that if we keep fewer, so we may keep better fasts then hitherto, prepare our hearts, plead hard with god, for our selves and others, expect an Answer of prayer, and give god all the glory, and at last enter into his rest where sorrow and sighing shall flee away :

Yet Lord instruct us to improve our fast
by starving sin, and taking such repast
Herbert] as may our faults controul :
That every man may revel at his door,
not in his parlour : banquetting the poor,
and among those his soul :

The End

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